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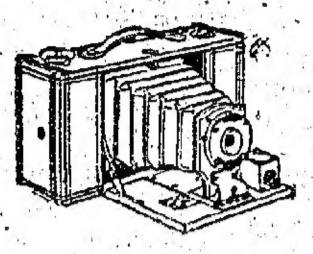


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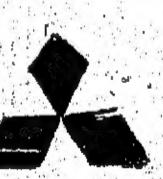


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HONGKONG, MARCH 17TH, 1911.

THE telegram from our Tokyo correspondent published yesterday, reporting the demoralisation of the Japanese markets in consequence of the conferences which are taking place daily at the Tokyo Foreign Office, regarding affairs in North China, suggests that we may expect some sensational announcement shortly, and naturally gives rise to speculations as to what these conferences may concern. Do they relate to the trouble between Russia and China regarding Treaty rights in Mongolia, or is Japan preparing to formulate for presentation to China some startling demands of her own? Is there any understanding between Russia and Japan to press China simultaneously for political privileges which their growing commercial interests may be assumed to require?—These are among the questions which arise as one of Shanghai), who comes to Hongkong as deputy reads the Tokyo telegram in conjunc- Superintendent. Mr. W. Swan, who has been tion with the messages which come from acting Superintendent during Mr. Beck's Peking and Tokyo regarding the strained diplomatic relations between China and Russia. The publication of the Notes which have been exchanged between the Governments of Fussia and China have made the reading public all over the world familiar with the questions which have brought the two countries to the verge of hostilities. War is a very unlikely event. we should think, but the fact that the Japanese markets have been demoralised by rumours associated with the conferences

Office in Tokyo, must either imply a belief n the possibility of hostilities arising out of the Russian dispute, or else it imports, as we have suggested, some development of Japan's policy in Manchuria which is likely to add to the uncertainty of the general situation in North China. We would not public and him. be greatly surprised, for instance, to hear before very long, that Japan, and Russia also, having regard to the commercial losses they have suffered in consequence of the plague epidemic in Manchuria, are persuaded that some extension of their political privileges in Manchuria is necessary in order to better secure themselves against disasters of this kind in the future so far as Japan is concerned. A hint of this seems to be conveyed in the recently news that the Japanese Quarantine Administration in Manchuria had proposed to the Government at Tokyo that Japan should take steps to obtain entire control of the measures in Manchuria for the prevention of plague, and, further, that Japan should compel the Chinese Government to cancel the order prehibiting coolies from entering the province, since the enforcement of this order has entailed enormous losses to the for instance, is at liberty to fly with railway and other industries in the Three Eastern Provinces. It is significant that the Hongkong forts, if he ascends outside the Chinese press did not consider the circumstances of the situation to warrant the stops suggested to the Government at Tokyo. They claimed that it was generally admitted that the Chinese Government had, from the beginning, done all that was reasonably possible to check suppress the epidemic, while, with ference to the coolie traffic, it was pointed out that if the prohibition of that traffic. as a measure necessary to prevent the. spread of plague, hal entailed enormous losses to the Japanese railway, so also had the Imperial Chinese railways and Chinese industries in the Three Eastern Provinces similarly suffered. The Japanes e proposal was described as meaning "the absolute disregard of Chinese sovereignty in the three Eastern provinces." It is obvious that it does. Against the supposition that this is the subject of the protracted discussion at the Tokyo Foreign Office, may be cited the agreement whereby Russia and Japan undertook "to recognise the independence and the territorial integrity of the Chinese Empire" and engaged "to uphold and defend the maintenance of the status quo" &c., &c. But what reliance can the world place on agreements of this character after what has happened in the case of Korea? We do not think, however, that the Powers would be so ready to Forman by the British War Office. Mr. van acquiesce in the annexation of Manchuria as they have been in the case of Korea, for the exercise of Japanese sovereignty over the whole province of Manchuria, or even over the southern half, involves the partitioning of the whole Empire. As a Chinese contemporary says, "the further development of the question is awaited with Rajputs will provide music. interest.

which are taking place daily at the Foreign

Major and Mrs. Nathan of Tientsin are passengers for England by the Marmora.

Mr. Jas. F. Younge, the popular advance manager of the Bandmann Opera Co., arrived in the Colony yesterday.

Increased duties on liquor imported into the Colony, passed by the Legislative Council yesterday, became operative immediately on stocks in bond as well as new imports.

A nasty accident occurred to Mr. Siebs while mounting a grifflu in the Hankow Race Club stable compound recently. The animal bolted and dashed into the hedge facing the stables. Mr. Siebs pitched head first into the scrub and suffered some nasty cuts on the head, necessitating immediate medical assistance and the insertion of six stitches in his scalp.

The Hon. Rufus H. Thayer, Judge of the United States Court for China, who has recently visited Canton, to hold a session of the Court, contemplates taking a trip to the United States, and leaving about the 17th proximo expects to return to Shanghai about the beginn. ing of October.

Mr. J. M. Beck, Superintendent of the Mr. and Mrs. Oakley, Mr. Barton, Mons. Liebert, Eastern Telegraph Co.'s Hongkong station, returned to the Colony from England yesterday, Commander Lambe, Mr. and Mrs. von Wiser and accompanying him was Mr. Crane (formerly and Sir Francis Piggott. absence, goes to Sharp Peak, and Mr. Gilby to-day. goes on promotion to Foochow.

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THE AVIATION MEETING AT SHATIN, KOWLOON.

On account of the many inquiries received about the arrangements for the aviation meeting in Shatin to-morrow, and the two following days, to which the manager cannot reply separately, he asks us to be the medium for the

It is true, he writes, that the difficulties were very great. Two other parties tried in vain to introduce this newest sport in Hongkong, but had to give up on account of the difficulties put in their way. The Far East Aviation Co. has complied with the wishes of the Government, not to have flights too near to Hongkong, although Happy Valley or even on the Band, Conuanght Road, opposite the Hongkong Club, above the Harbour, would have been much better exhibition places than the valley of Shatin and much more convenient to the public.

This permission could not be got, and on account of the new aviation regulations of this Colony, aviators are not allowed to ascend anywhere in this Colony without the written consent of the Governor. No regulation prevents any avaitor, up to the present, to ascend, for instance, on Chinese territory, fly across the Colony, above the forts, take as many snapshots or skotches as he likes from above, and to return to Chinese or Portugese territory again. No international law exists at present stipulating rights in the air. A spy, an aeroplane or an airship above Colony and descends there too. account of such rules and which are practically of no use whatever. Hongkong reople who to witness an airship flight must go to Shalin. It is certainly an ideal place for aviation, having splendid surroundings and being protected from winds practically on three sides. A fine long beach, at low tide absolutely dry, will serve as the aerodrome. The Far East Aviation Co. is permitted to make flights from a spot which is nearly one mile long and three-quarters of a mile wide. To-morrow, and on Sunday and Monday special aviation trains will run to Shatin from 11 a.m. to 2.30 p:m. Large crowds of people it is expected will witness this exhibition, and the public are advised to book seats beforehand. One train de laxe will run every day at 2.30 p.m.; conveying H.E. the Governor and/or his friends. For this train a limited number of seats can be booked beforehand at increased rates. Only aviation ticket holders will be carried in the trains to Shatin, and consequently reached. the admission ticket must be obtained before the railway ticket. Tickets are procurable at the ticket-solling boxes of the Kowloon Ferry Boat

Shatin, but run right through. Admission to the aviation grounds is by ticket only. The aviator is Mr. van den Born, who will make flights in a biplane of his own construction, of the Chanute-Farman type, with quite a number of improvements. It is about the same type as that recently bought from den Born is an aviator who has successfully competed against France's best airmen, which is proof that better flights cannot be seen in Europe. Persons not weighing more than about 11 stone can have a ride with Mr. van den Born.

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The management, we are assured, will do its utmost to provide good weather, but in case the clerk of the weather does not stick to his contract, a blue flag will be hoisted on the C.P.R.'s flagstaff, opposite Blake Pier, if the flying is. postponed. A red flag on the same flagstaff will indicate that the flights will take place.

Those who desire to inspect the machine house and the agroplane, and to have verbal explanation of the working of the puchinery must come. in the forencon between 9 and 11. All others than -season ticket-holders must have an inspection ticket costing 30 cents, but for Schools and Corporations special arrangements can be made. Hongkong's best photographers will be present to take pictures of the occasion, and collections of the pictures taken will be circulated afterwards.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE.

Lieut.-General Sir James Wolfe arrived by the English Mail yesterday and is staying at Government House.

H.E. the Governor give a dinner party at Government House last night, to which the following were invited: -Mr. and Mrs. Master, Mr. and Mrs. Ede, Mr. and Mrs. R. Bancock. Colonel and Mrs. Wrigley, Mr. and Mrs. Lawder. Commander and Mrs. Acton, Mr. and Mrs. Slade, Miss Young, Bishop and Mrs. Lander, Lt. Comdr. Dordet, Mr., Mrs. and Miss Tomes,

The Hon'ble. Mrs. George Keppel, Sir Archibald and Ludy Edmonstone, Baroness de Brienen and Count Lutzow leave for the North

At Lady Lugard's "At Home" this afternoon there will be a short programme of music: Mrs. Barrington and Mons. Liebert will play Schumann. Mr. Denman Fuller will play Nocturne, Op. 15, No. 2 of Chopin, and Scherzo by Percy Pitt, and Mr. Timmerscheidt will play a violin solo.

At the Magistracy yesterday Mr. Wood sentenced a Chinese to three months' imprisonment and four hours' stocks for breaking into No. 46, Kowloon City Road, Hunghom, and stealing a quantity of clothing and an umbrella.

TELEGRAMS.

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"DAILY PRESS" EXCLUSIVE SERVICE.] THE RUSSO-CHINESE CRISIS. YUAN SHI-KAI'S RECALL ADVOCATED.

PEKING, March 16th. The Government has expressed its intention to agree to the Russian General). proposal to establish Consulates in Mongolia, independently of the duties question, which it thinks can be otherwise arranged. The Government also agrees to restrict disagreeable monopolies in the territory. It is thought that if this is carried out it will end the crisis.

The Provincial Assemblies are urging the immediate convocation of the National Assembly in order to settle the difficulties with Foreign

The friends of Yuan Shi Kai are advocating his recall.

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ANGLO-JAPANESE COMMER. CIAL TREATY.

STATEMENT BY MR. BUXTON.

LONDON, March 16th. At the annual dinner of the Associated Chambers of Commerce of Great Britain, Mr. Buxton, President of the Board of Trade, stated that inof Commerce enabled the Government | hon, members to make the motion. I may say to place a case before the Japanese Government, and he hoped a satisfactory conclusion of the negotiations for a Commercial Treaty would be

Mr. Kato, the Japanese Ambassador, dwelt upon the friendliness & Co. in Hongkong and Kowloon. The trains which has marked the negotiations, will not stop between Kowloon main station and that the Anglo-Japanese negotiations would end satisfactorily before long.

RUSSO-CHINESE RUPTURE.

London, March 16th.

The St. Petersburg Press publish strong anti-Chinese articles, and predict a rupture in the relations between the two countries unless China yields."

RUSSIAN INFLUENCE IN PERSIA.

London, March 16th

evacuation of Kazvin was completed in the morning, except for eighty be over-estimated. The duty on Cossacks left as a Consular guard. and other spirituous liquors has raised by 30 cents, making the price \$1.50 per

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CAPTAIN'S CUP.

* E. R. Hallifax 93 - 16 = 77

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LATEST STEAMER MOVEMENTS

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The C.P.R. Co.'s str. Empress of Japan arrived at Nagasaki at 8.30 a.m. on the 16th inst., and left again at 2.30 p.m. same day for Kobe, where she is due to arrive at 4 p.m. on the 17th inst.

COUNCIL.

A meeting of the Hongkong Legislative Council was hold yesterday at the Council

Chamber. The following were present :-- & --HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR, SIR FREDERICK JOHN DEALTRE LUGARD, K.C.M.G., C.B., D.S.O. HIS EXCELLENCY THE GENERAL OFFICER

C. A. ANDERSON, C.B.). Hon. Mr. C. CLEMENTI (Colonial Secretary). Hon. Mr. W. REES DAVIES, K.C. (Attorney-

Hon. Mr. A. M. THOMBON (Colonial Trea-Hon. Mr. W. CHATHAM, C.M.G. (Director of Public Works), Hon. Mr. A. W. BREWIN (Registrar-General)

Hon. Captain F. W. Lyons (Captain Superintendent of Police). Hon. Mr. WEI YUE, C.M. G. Hon. Dr. Ho KAI, M.B., C.M.G. Hon. Mr. H. E. POLLOCK, K.C.

Hon, Mr. E. OSBORNE. Hon. Mr. H. KESWICK. Mr. R. H. CROFTON (Clerk of Councils).

Hon, Mr E. A. HEWETT.

The minutes of the last meeting were rea NEW MEMBER. Captain F. W. Lyons took the oath, and assumed his seat as a member of Council.

FINANCIAL MINUTE. The COLONIAL SECRETARY, by command His Excellency the Governor, laid on the table Financial Minute (No. 20), and moved that it be referred to the Finance Committee.

The COLONIAL TREASURER seconded, and the motion was agreed to. FINANCIAL.

The COLONIAL SECRETARY, by command of His Excellency the Governor, late on the table the report of the Finance Committee (No. 3), and moved its adoption.

The COLONIAL TREASURER seconded, on the motion was agreed to.

LIQUOR DUTIES INCREASED.

The COLONIAL SECRETARY-Sir, under standing rule of this Council No. 13 s(h) any motion the urzency of which is admitted by the President and two-thirds of the members present may be made without previous notice. Your Excellency as President of this Council has authorised me to state that you admit the formation received from the Chambers | nigoney of the motion which I desire to bring forward. Therefore I would ask the leave o it is one amending the liquor tariff, and now am about to move it I hope to satisfy members" of its urgency.

The motion of argency was admitted, and the Colonial Secretary was accorded permission to

The Colonial Secretary-I beg to thank hon, members of the Council for their support, and without further delay I will lay upon the table the resolution in question. Its object is to increase the duties on intoxicating liquors-European and native - and if hon, members will be good enough to turn to section 41 of the Liquors Consolidation Bill, which was left it and said he had every confidence committee at the last meeting of the Council, and follow my remarks with that section before them, I hope to make clear the nature of the proposed amendment. Under that section champagne was differentiated from the other sparkling wines with respect to tariff, but it is now proposed to group them in the same class and charge them with the same duty. say, Sir, that the total duty twelve months on other sparkling was only \$858, and it does not seem wort while to make a special class for so small an item. Moreover, sparkling wines are expensive. They are a rich man's drink, and there appears to be no sufficient reason for discriminating between them and champagne. Section 41 provides for a duty of \$3.60 per gallons on all brandy and liqueurs. This will be raised to \$4.20 per gallon, an increase of 60 cents per gallon, which it is estimated will increase the revenue \$5,000 per annum. The duty on whisky will be raised to \$3 per gallon, another increase of 60 cents, resulting in an estimated increase of \$12,000 per annum in revenue. Gin will be placed in the same class as whisky and A Teheran message states that the | charged the same duty. This will produce, we Selieve, an additional \$15,000, but possibly if increased duty results in decreased sumption the item may prove

> the additional revenue will amount to only \$500 per annum: There will be an increase of 60 cents duty on champagnes and sparkling wines; that is to say, the duty will be \$3 per gallon, resulting in an estimated increase of revenue of \$4,000. On port, sherry, and madeira there will also be an increase On all brandy and liqueurs of 60 cents, making the duty \$2.40 per On all whisky and gin the increase is 80 cents per gallon, making the duty \$1.50, which will give an estimat. On all port, sherry and madeira. ed increase of \$2,500. The duty on On all other still wines in bottle other still wines in wood is double, making \$1.20 per gallon and producing an estimated increase of \$7.00 per annum revenue. The duty on all other intoxicating liquors, ex- On all spirits of wine and arrack cepting spirits of wine and native wines, and spirits, has been left unchanged. Neither has any change been made in the duty therefore, of these alterations if they meet with the approval of the Council, will be to increase the revenue on European liquor briefly, that it is proposed to double the duty on | Fung Shap and Wai Shang. all items with the exception of native liquors distilled in the New Territories, not including New Kowloon and Cheungchan. This duty remains at five cents per gallon, while the others stand at 30, 40, 50, 70 cents and one dollar, respectively. We anticipate an increase of two and a half lakhs per annum revenue from this source. Therefore the effect of the resolution which I have the honour to lay before you will increase the revenue on liquor by \$297,000. or, roughly, three lakks per aunum. Before going further I should like to say that the figures just given were taken from estimates prepared by Mr. Tratman, the superintendent of imports and exports. As, however, the liquor as Fan Tsau, if containing 50 per cent, or under duties have existed in this Colony for so short a of alcohol by weight, with the addition of two time the figures on which to base the estimates were very meagre. A comparison with the col-

lection statistics for November, December, Jan-

venue, due perhaps to the exhaustion of old

stock. In order to be on the safe side Mr. Trat-

gallon. The consumption is rather small and

LEGISLATIVE There is proverbial danger in counting one's chickens before they are hatched, and in view of the unintelligent anticipations made with regard to the liquor revenue it is sincerely to be hoped that the estimated three lakks to be derived under this resolution will prove to be too cautious rather than too sauguine an estimate. If you refer for a few moments to the Colonial Estimates for the current year, on page 19 you will find that the total expenditure of this Government is calculated to be \$7,385,320. On . 5 the revenue for the current year is placed at \$7,086,383. Therefore, there is a deficit of \$292,937, or, roughly COMMANDING THE TROOPS (MAJOR-GENERAL speaking, three lakks is the deficit on our budget this year. Your Excellency informed the Council at the last meeting that the Imperial Government had made a contribution of £12,000 to this Colony during 1911 on account of the loss of opium revenue. This sum converted at 1/9 to the dollar, the rate of exchange on which the estimates for this year had been framed, amounts to \$137,143. Therefore, even after allowing for the Imperial contribution we have to face a deficit of \$161,794, more than a lakh and a half. If you will now turn to page 9 of the es imates you will see that a sum of 73 lakhs is set down as the gross revenue we expected to derive from the liquors duties in 1911, but according to the recent report made by the superintendent of imports and exports the most we can hope to collect during the current year, after allowing 15 per cent, as the increase on last year's figures, will only be between 52 and 6 lakhs. Therefore at least another lakh and a quarter must be added to the deficit which becomes \$286,794. Moreover, as military contribution has to be paid on the gross revenue collected, and as under this resolution if adopted the gross revenue will amount to six lakhs plus three lakks, that is to say, nine lakks instead of 73 which appear in the estimates, we shall have to pay the Imperial Government twenty per cent, on the balance of one and three-quarter lakhs, a sum of \$35,000. The deficit then becomes \$321,794, more than three lakhs. Therefore, if during 1911 we contrive to raise an additional three lakks by increasing the liquor duties we will not quite cover the deficit. Unfortunately, however, I am almost certain that for 1911 we shall not derive an additional three Takhs from this source. Seventy-five days of this year have already passed, and when due allowance is made for this fact Mr. Tratman reckons that during the remainder of the year there will be only an extra \$38,000 on European and \$125,000 on native liquor, that is to say, 8223,000 in all. Adding six lakhs to this sum, you will see the gross liquor revenue this year will be \$823,000, and on the difference between this sum and the 71 lakks in the budget

(398,000) military contribution amounting to \$19,600 must be paid. The net proceeds derived for 1911 from this source therefore would be only \$203,400. We shall therefore have to face at the end of the year a deficit of \$118,394. The figures quoted by me make no allowance for the payment of rebates either to the naval or. military authorities. Hon, members will recoldect that when in the autumn of 1909 the Bill was introduced and passed through this Council imposing for the first time a duty on intoxicating liquor, the immediate result was liquor dealers raised the price to the consumers from the date on which the Bill became law. Old stock was not texable, and as, owing to considerable notice given, much liquor was rushed into the Colony from the neighbouring ports before the tariff took effect, the result was that the proceeds of the tax went largely, not to the Government, butto those ongaged in the liquor trade. Consequently the estimate of six lakus for 1910 which we anticipated from this source was not realised, the sum actually collected being only \$443,900. Warned by this example Government wishes on the present occasion to ensure the proceeds of the tariff going to the public revenue and not to private merchants. It will be obvious to hon, members that unless the tariff tokes effect to-day it will be possible for liquor dealers to pay duty at the present rate and take liquor out of bond, and if that is donethe Government will not benefit from the new tariff until the whole supply is exhausted.

Meantime it is not improbable, as was done on the last occasion, that the price to the general public will be raised as from the date of the new tariff. I am sure that everyone here will agree that this rendering to Bacchus the things which are Creser's could not be contemplated by the community a second time. This, Sir, is the first occasion on which it has been my duty to address the Council, and I greatly regret on such an occasion to have to move a resolution affecting in a greater or less degree the pocket of everyone of us, and perhaps hitting his Excellency harder than any other member. At the same time the financial situation is such that an increase in taxation is necessary, and every day's delay means that at the end of the year we shall have to face a larger deficit. I beg to move the resolution. (Applause.)

Resolved, that there shall be paid upon intoxicating liquors hereafter imported into, distilled, made or prepared in the Colony the duties following, namely:-

Per gallon gallon, and producing an expectant extra On all rum and other spirituous liquors ... 1.50 \$2,000. On all other still wines in bottle On all champagnes and other sparkling wines. On all other still wines in wood. On all other intoxicating liquors excepting spirits of wine and native wine and spirits 0.24

On all native wines and spirits: (a.) \$0 30 cents a gallon on the native liquors known as Liu Pun and Sheang Ching and on on spirits of wine or arrack. The effect, the following sweetened, prepared and medicated

No Mai Tsau, Hak No Mai, Mau Kan, Yuk Lan, Ning Mun Tsau, Tsing Mui, Muk Kwa. by \$47,000 per annua. Turning now to the Sun Fung, Wu Tau, Shut Li Tsau, Shan Kat, tariff on native wines and spirits, I may say, Lung San Tsan, Tei Kuk, Sam Pin, Tit Ta, All such liquor shall contain not more than

25 per cent. of alcohol by weight. (b.) \$0.40 cents a gillon on the native liquor known as Sam Ching, containing not more than 35 per cent. of alcohol by weight

(c.) \$0.50 a gallon on the native liquor known as Fa Tsau and on the following sweetened. prepared or medicated wines:-

Ng Ka Pei, Mui Kwai Lo, Sz Kwek Kun g Fu Kwat Muk Kwa, Yan Chan Lo, and Ko Leung Kon.

All such liquor shall contain not more than 45 per cent, of alcohol by weight, (d.) \$0.70 a gallon on the native liquor known

cents for every one per centum between 50 per cent. and 55 per cent. of alcohol by weight. (e.) \$1.00 a gallon with the addition of uary and February with the same months in eight cents for every one per centum above 55 1910 shows an increase of 26 per cent. in the re- per cent. of alcohol by weight on any native liquor containing above 55 per cent, of alcohol

by weight. man in framing the estimate allowed for a pos-(f.) 80.05 per gullon on all native liquor distilled in the New Territories, not including sible decrease in consumption owing to increase ia tariff and allowed for an increase of 13 New Kowlcon and the Island of Cheung Chan per cent. only over last year's figures for consumption in the said Territories.

Further resolved :

placed it.

(2.) Stills in the New Territories (not including New Kowloon and the Island of Cheung Chau) shall be prohibited from sending liquor produced in these stills to Hongkong or to New Kowloon: provided that any licencee of a distillery who desires to send such liquor to Hongkong or New Kowloon may be granted a permit to do so, upon payment of the duties charged in Hougkong or New Kowloon.

and 2 cents for every degree above proof in the case of any other liquor.

The COLONIAL TREASURER seconded. Hon. Dr. Ho KAI-Though not opposed to the resolution in toto there are some items which press very barshly on a very large section of the poorer classes of the Chinese community, and I feel it my duty, unless they are altered, to oppose the resolution. We have just heard from the Colonial Secretary that the increase on European wine only amounts to about \$40,000 a year. whereas on native wines and spirits the increase comes up to 2½ lakhs of dollars. That is to say. seems to be an extremely unjust and unfair arrangement, and unless the figures are altered Lam afraid myself and my colleague opposite will lurve to oppose the resolution behalf of the Chinese population, the item on native wines and liquors known as liu pun and shempy ching. These are consumed by the coolie class. The better class with few exceptions consume much better class of wine and a great number of Chinese now take European wines, so that the latter could bear a higher proportion of the new duty and would willingly do so. For the lower class Chinese it seems to me exorbitant that they should be asked to pay 30 cents per gallon. Now, Sir, I think in taxing the people we should remember to tax them in such a way as to make them bear a share in proportion to their means, and it seems to me that while beer tears a duty of 24 cents Chinese wine should not pay anything like 30 cents per gallon. No doubt it is necessary: to raise additional revenue, and if the Government are going to raise it by increasing the duty on liquor I hope they will not a better scale than the present one. I had no idea that this was coming on. It was a surprise to me, and I had not the slightest chance of obtain ing any information about the details of the resolution. I don't think we can rush it thiong! to-day. We want one or two days to discuss in I quite appreciate the point raised by the Colonial Secretary, but at the same time I consider it is very bad to establish a precedent of this kind.

in bringing forward this resolution now before of liquor for any extent of time. I hope, there while any holder of liquor rashing it out of fore, Sir, that this resolution will not be passed and not become law at this meeting until the referred to many points relating to the unefficial members and the community have general finances of the Colony; therefore had an opportunity of considering the altera-I presume I am also entitled to refer to them. tions and expressing their views on the sub-In the first place, I say that half a losf is better than no bread. We got £9,000 | ject at a later meeting. for the first year, £12,000 for the second, and for the third year-

HIS EXCELLENCY—It is promised in the

last meeting.

Hon. Mr. Hewerr-All right, Sir. £33,000 unofficial member, it has come upon for three years, in my opinion is altogether all as a big surprise. I admit the necessity of is all very well to say that our opium divans | measure is not rushed through the Council Government in ordering us to adopt a certain | notice. I therefore regret that I cannot support form of policy which I think is very unsound; the motion. and others who have lived for many years on the spot and who know a great deal more of the | deavour to deal with the various objections to this needs of Hongkong than His Majesty's Govern- resolution seriatim as they have been put forment also agree, with me, that it is ward. First, to take the point raised by the altogether inadequate. We are permanently senior unofficial member. He complains deprived of a large proportion of that the tax which is imposed on liquor through the idiosyncra- consumed bycies of certain people at Home. That the policy Chinese is in excess of that imposed which has been adopted will reduce the consump- on the lowest class of those who consume tion of opium in the Colony is very doubtful. European beer and stout. I have two points in We realise that the forcible closing of the that connection to bring to the notice of the divans has encouraged illicit smoking and has Council. One is, so far as I understand, and abnormally added to the work of the police, and I speak subject to correction, that the conthe possibility that they had formerly of keeping sumption of samshu and that class of liquor is Your Excellency, in moving the resolu- by hook or by crock, we are to increase under control the lower, and more particularly not what I might call part of a meal of the the criminal, section of the Colony has vanished. lower class. Chinese, whereas beer and stout the annual payment of an import allowance first passed, there was very great difference The question is a very important one, and see- may be said to be part of the diet of soldiers to the Naval and Military Authorities made per- of opinion as to whether the rebate should be ing this is a sort of Alsatia, criminals can dis- and by that section of the population who conappear over the border and it is very difficult sume that kind of liquorto trace them. I maintain that this comparatively trivial sum thrown us by the Imperial Government does not by any manner of means compensate as for the loss, financial and otherwise, which has been forced

between (1.) On native wives and spirits declared or the actual amount than that there to the Chinese of one to 25. The amount imposed on the troops as it increases so the rop- the hou, and callent member extremely over-(1.) On native wines and spirits declared or the land which the Colonial Secretary told us would planity of service in that colony decreases, rates the affluent position of the civilian Biens the appropriate duty therein laid down shall carried on, I don't know, and I don't attempt to be derived from taxation bearing on the Such action must automatically affect the quest in Hongkons. If he pays his debts by be paid except that on any native liquor how. explain. I cannot possibly conceive how the Chinese population was 21 lakks, and tion of trooping at Home, the difficulties of which the end of the year he is very lucky. I would ever declared or labelled found by the Govern- figures which were supplied to your Excellency that is \$10,000. Instead, at all times are considerable and periodically are remind the hon, and gallant member that taxation ment Analyst or such person as the Governor by officers who were thoroughly acquainted with the European population is to be taxed to the a source of great anxiety to the nation. Also is not only increasing in Hengkong, but ment Analyst or such person as the Governor by officers who was an entropy of the considering the question there are many different of \$47,000, that is to say, roughly, five in considering the question there are many different as well. I do not see in the present to contain more alcohol than is permit possibly believe that although my estimate was times as much as the proportion to be derived ferences between the conditions of life in the Col- condition of our finances here that we are ted in the division to which it is declared or labelled as belonging, there shall be paid the appropriate duty of the division in which the and this is a point to which the attention of appropriate duty of the division in which the and this is a point to which the attention of appropriate duty of the division in which the attention of the hon member who represents the Chamber as a solution and as it affects the civilian and as it affects the division in the first place of the members are concerned, was grudgingly agreed to two appropriate duty of the division in which the amount of alcohol found has placed it; each officials should be chiefly directed. The Bill of the hon, member who represents the Chamber as suits him. A soldier comes by order and leaves years ago in the belief that we were going to make division in such case shall represent native we accepted very reluctantly. It was most of Commerce. He alluded first of all to the grant it by order also. Whatever the Colony derives a larger sum than we have. The fact that a liquor of the limit of strength in alcohol there- distasteful to the whole Colony. We only did- of the Imperial Government to make good the from taxation such as improvement of works, soldier has to pay an income tax when serving in stated and irrespective of any definition or it because we believed that it was absolutely loss incurred by the closing of the opium divans. improvement of administration and an increase his country abroad is a question which hardly description of such liquor, and on any native necessary to raise new recenus and that this Whether that grant is a generous one or otherin all the conveniences of life, the civilian who comes within our purview. If the imwines and spirits not declared or labelled as particular tax on the community would be a wise is a matter for individual opinion of the establishes himself in his trade or industry in porial Government like to tax their belonging to any division there shall be paid the reasonable one and would have the desired several members of this Council. As a matter that Colony if he suffers from that taxation servants it is up to them to do so, duty appropriate to the division in which the result, a sufficient revenue, of fact it is about half the less which we have at least he has a strong direct personal interest and one of the conditions of service. amount of alcohol found by the Government has failed us. I cannot but believe that the remast incurred, and I must repeat what I said before in in the progress of the Colony in which The hon, and gallant member, made rather a Analyst or such person as the Governor may be some alarming amount of leakage, and I can the Colonis is suffering at the Colonis is suffering from time to time appoint on that behalf has not bring myself to believe that the estima e put the Colony is suffering at the present time is a bird of passage and has none of that direct that if this rebate was not allowed the before us two years ago could be so far wrong. only due in a small proportion to the loss on personal interest. His interest in any colony men who had hitherto used the service With regard to the military rebate, that was a opium. It is chiefly incurred by the large is merely the general imperial interest canteens would be encouraged to go elsepoint to which unofficial members directed your expense for the building of the Kowloon rail- which we all have. These, I think, are at where, and instead of drinking good whole-Excellency's attention when the Bill was under way. The chief point with which the hon, mem- least some of the reasons which influence some beer and stout would be encouraged discussion. We considered it a very great ber dealt was that the revenue which it was an seven out of eight colonies as far as I to drink spirits. In the end they would dissihardship that we should have to tax ourselves | ticipated would have been derived from liquor have been able to ascertain in deciding as to pate generally by going to grog shops. I with a very objectionable form of taxation to ought to have been realised if it had not been their course of action with regard to taxation. think I am right in saying that every meet the loss that was forced upon as. for a very large amount of wholesale smuggling. In the particular case of the Colony of Hong-naval and military canteen in the We realise that when we get this extra revenue Gentlemen. I can only remind you of kong there is another point. The civil Colony is rent free. It is on Government we have to pay one-fifth of it for the military the circumstances in which the Liquers members of the community pay no income premises and controlled by commissioned (3.) On intoxicating liquors, other than spirits contribution, a payment which we consider of wine, arrack and native wines and spirits, excessive. The senior unofficial member spoke possible expressions were used by unofficial officers of His Majesty's forces on the who are told off and who, if they get any imported into, distilled, made or prepared in the Colony above proof strength there shall be paid less accept this tariff. I have an open mind on which customs examinations were to be conduct- located in the Colony and, further, unless they consequence is that all the facilities the Navy an additional duty of 4 cents for every degree the subject, and if reasonable argument is above proof in the case of brandy, 3 cents for brought forward to show that it is inequitable and a colonial house-tax as well. India will still enable the men to get cheaper liquor able in its provisions, I am perfectly will. But apart from that matter, there is the fact has been cited as a procedent, but there than they can get outside. Another point which ing to cast my voto in favour of its revision. that when you have in a free port are many reasons which make it an was prossed upon us by, I think, Colonel Darling, As a matter of f ct, as the case now duty on one single item you cannot unfair precedent to compare with Hongkong. the then Officer Commanding, was that even if stands, I think it is correct. The senior have a thoroughly efficient customs service In the first place India pays the troops. This this rebate was granted, it was not to be used unofficial member complained that an undue unless you devote so large a propor- Colony does not. In India as long as the soldier for the reduction of the price of liquor in proportion of the increase of the revenue tion of the tax to that service as to make it is affected the price of hear in the canteen is the the canteens. I think, therefore, that that which it was hoped would be obtained in | not worth while. If smuggling does exist, and the event of the tariff being passed would fall if the Government were to take such measures upon the Chinese. I would remind the hop, as would justify it in feeling it had taken absolute and learned gentleman that the population precautious against any form of smuggling, the of this Colony is something like one foreigner | cost of collection would be. I fancy, at least to 30 Chinese. Therefore, it does not double. For my own part, I don't think there seem to me that the difference between is at present any very great amount of smuggl. the two sums as stated by the Coloni- ing, but there are certain directions in which al Secretary bears the interpretation put upon it by the hou, member (Dr. He Kai), tion I believe some leakage has occurred. We Another point which I think would be admitted

by hon, members if they looked more carefully be brought before the Council in due course is that the tariff is based on sub-section a dealing with the question of native wines or liquors, about the urgency of this motion. that contain not more than 25 per cent, senior unofficial member said we were of alogical by weight. I think it admitted that no foreigner would possibly dream of drinking liquor containing 25 per cent. of alcohol, and I am perfectly certain that the Chinese, who are extremely abstemious, would water this down very considerably. Therefore, because the figures are based upon 25 per cent. of alcohol it does not show that the Chinese are overtaxed in proportion. Sub-section b shows the alcoholic percentage at 35, sub-section c at 5. and sub-section d at 50 to 55, so I think the senior unofficial member on reflection will see that the proportion falling upon Chinese as opposed to the foreigner is not excessive. I quite appreciate the argu- may be imported into the Colony between this ment put forward by the hon. Colonial Secretary that it is advisable to bring the alteration accepted, but a question of all liquor in stock of the Ordinance into effect as promptly as in the Colony, because if this resolution is not possible in order to prevent the rushing in of liquor before the new duties take effect, but I do pay duties at the present rates on th not think it will be a serious less to the Govern. whole of their holdings, and the difference ment to ask them to postpone the resolution for would be a loss to the revenue. at least a week, because the amount of liquor that would propose, gentlemen, therefore, that we could be rushed in during that time would be very should pass this resolution to-day, but at the small and would be soon worked off. Do you next meeting of Council it will be open suppose for a moment that it pays a merchant to any unofficial member to bring forward any rush in liquor which means cost of warehousing, amendment to the resolution he may desire. In fire insurance and many other charges? It cannot the meantime the resolution will be operative

Hon. Mr. OSBORNE -Sir, I merely wish possibly by the gracious goodwill of His Ma- to express my concurrence in what has fallen jesty's Ministers at Home we may get £12,000 from the lips of the hon member who represents the Chamber of Commerce. | congratulate the Government upon the socrecy telegram which I read to the Council at the which has been observed in the introduction of this measure. Like the hon, senior inadequate for the very heavy financial loss | it from the Government's point of view, but I which has been forced upon this Colony through | do not admit that the loss of revenue which the the action of the Home Government. It Colonial Secretary says will ensue if this were working from year to year on a to-day will be sufficiently serious to spring this three years' licence. Consequently the Imperial additional burden upon the community without

His Excellency-Gentlemen, I will en-

Samshu is part of the meal of lower class Chi-

nese. I think my colleague will bear me out-Hon, Mr. WEI YUK-That is true. upon us by a policy to which most of connection with that tax I was also going to say Gibraltar and Malta, are in a category apart, for the presence of an imperial garrison here. We us objected or would have objected. The that I find from the scals which is adopted in for Gibraltar is absolutely a free port and admit the necessity and we are only too glad to question of the military contribution I will the Straits Settlements that the lowest tax on Malta in so far as it affects the find that they are here. We enjoy their society not touch upon, beyond reminding your Excel- all liquors less than forty per cent. proof spirit | military is virtually so. As regards the other | and also such protection as we may derive from lency that on former occasions I have spoken in is one dollar. We are only imposing a tax of 24 eight colonies in which British troops are their presence in the event of war, but I maintain the strongest possible manner against the undue cents as against the Straits Settlements tax of located, five of them, South Africa, Ceylon, that the presence of the forces here is an proportion of our revenue annexed by the one dollar. I may say, gentlemen, that our taxes Cyprus, Jamaica and Mauritius, grant either a entirely imperial question, and it would not take Home Government for the Imperial military on native wines and spirits in all their differ- rebate or a considerable allowance in so very much for Hongkong to be abandoned in defence of the Colony. The question has been ent grades have hitherto been, so far as I know, lieu thereof to the troops. One of them, the interests of the Empire at large. That is fought out by this Council and by the somewhere about one-eighth to one-tenth the Sierra Leone, allows free import of liquor outside the question altogether. The hon, and Chamber of Commerce for the last fifty amount charged in the Straits. It cannot for the troops. One - I speak from gallant member put forward a very strong plea years, and I still consider we are unjustly therefore be said that we have been information from an officer who has served there for the private soldiers more particularly on actreated by the Imperial Government. Coming unreasonably hard on the Chinese population. -Singapore, allows the forces to get their liquor | count of their increased expenses. We all incur now to the question of difference between On the other hand, if the Council think from bond on receipts without the imposition of increased expenses here. It is perfectly true actual and estimated revenue derived from it advisable to alter that one class and to any tax. One remains alone, that is Bermuda, that may years ago civilians came out here and liquor, if I remember rightly your Excellency make the rate leviable on Chinese liquors the which colony taxes the troops liquor and after a time retired with large fortunes. I perspeaking two years ago on the estimate, same as on European liquors, 24 cents, the Gov- grants no rebate. Thus seven out of these sonally know of such cases, but those days which had no doubt been very carefully ernment is prepared to concede that point. I colonies recognise the undestrability of have gone. Now increased taxation an prepared by responsible officers, put it some- | would like to leave it to the discretion of the taxing the forces for the purpose of rais- | increased expenditure are pressing upon where between \$600,000 or \$700,000. I myself, Council. The next which the hon, member raised ing colonial revenue. Now there must be us, and Hongkong is no exception. having made careful inquiries from the leading was that taxation as a whole falls very heavily some cause why so large a proportion of The hon, member said the soldier came out by wine merchants and Chinese engaged in the upon the Chinese community as apart from these colonies have come to a decision not orders, but the civilian could pack up his gripwine trade, considered that after the first the European community. I do not touch the to tax the forces, and it seems to me that sack and go off at any moment that he wished. year had passed, that is to say, after the question as to whether the tax imposed re- these causes may be sought partly in the The kon, and gallant member flicked stocks rushed in were worked off, that places to some extent the loss incurred by fact that the troops are sent to a colony me on the raw when he made that remark. certainly in the second year we should get the opium policy, and the fact that the revenue for its defence and for the security of its L have been here thirty years and cannearer one million than three-quarters of a of the former was largely derived from trade, partly from the fact that the colony which not go home. I am out here because I am show that we only got about a third of that sum, of Hongkone, exclusive of the New Terri- by causes the forces at that time serving in the to do our duty. Much as I love Hongkong, I I cannot bring myself to balieve that there tories, is, say, 300,000, of which the European Colony to serve there for less emoluments than would gladly leave the East to-morrow or is any other excuse for the enurmous population is somewhere about 12,000, we their predecessors did. Taxation once imposed rather on Saturday by the next English mail

after a great deal of consideration of this quesare taking steps, and some measures will stop those leakages. Finally there is the point troducing a very bad precedent, and which was not justified by any grounds of urgency which have been shown. I would remind the hon, member that an almost precisely similar course was taken when the Liquor Bill was introduced in 1909. We sat very late in the Council because the matter was of great urgency and passed the Bill leaving doubtful questions which might arise for future discussion. Both members who followed the senior unofficial member supported him in the desire that the matter should not be pressed to a conclusion today. I think they have not clearly understood that it is not only a matter of the liquor which date and the date of the resolution being finally passed to-day the wine merchants will only The Hon. Mr. HEWELT-Your Excellency, possibly pay a wine merchant to hold a large stock from to-day, so that it will not be worth They are trying to do away with the shops and bond to pay duty at the present rates and so evade what should naturally come to the revenue

of the Colony. The ATTORNEY-GENERAL-If I may add single word to what your Excellency has said. my hon. friend opposite referred to the precedent. I would like to call his attention to the fact that the action of the Government is following closely on Home precedent. It is perfectly well known when the budget is introduced at Home all sorts of contrivances are use; by trades likely to be hit in order to make preparation for the fatal day. The course the Governmen is taking on this occasion follows the Home precedent, His Majesty's Services in Hongkong, and which provides for the collection of duties on the day following the introduction of the

HIS EXCELLENCY—The resolution can adopted as it stands and the question in regard to Chinese liquor can be raised as an amendment at our next meeting. The vote was taken with the following

Ayes Hon. Mr. Keswick, Hon. ollock, Captain Superintendent of Police the Registrar-General, the Director of Public Works, the Colonial Treasurer, the Attorney General, the Colonial Secretary, the General Officer Commanding. Noes-Hon, Mr. Osborne, Hon, Mr. Hewett,

Hon. Mr. Wei Yuk, Hon. Dr. Ho Kai. HIS EXCELLENCY—The Ayes have it.

NAVAL AND MILITARY LIQUOR

REBATE. HIS EXCELLENCY THE tion which stands in my name, viz., "That our revenue. At the time this Bill was missive by Clause 44 (1) of the Liquors Con- | made in the first place, but in view of the exsolidation Ordinance, 1910, be continued for tremely optimistic figures put before us we Hon. Dr. Ho Kar-That is a mistake, Sir. the year 1911-1912," I desire to submit thought we certainly could afford to be generous some points for consideration. In the first I maintain now that we cannot possibly agree to place, if we omit South and North China, give this concession, which amounts to something there are only ten stations where British like a quarter of the total amount collected. The HIS EXCELLENCY-I accept the correction. In troops are located. Of those ten two, namely, hon, and gallant member alluded to the necessity

the estimated and have the proportion the European bears as an invariable tendency to increase, and if if I was in a position to do so. I think same for an imperial pint as it is at Home. That particular argument of the is not the case in Hongkong. Here he pays falls to the ground. I think, Sir, in view half as much again, and if the rebate is abolished of our financial position, and in view of he will pay between 33d and 4d. As regards the advantage which the cantoens still officers the difference in smoluments in India and in the Colony is so marked that it is impossible to compare the two places. In every rank, except that of a subaltern, they are much better paid in India than in the Colonies. If the rebate be discontinued, the price will be raised to something like 31d a pint in the conteens, and the result of this will be that the inducement which now exists for the soldier to frequent his cantoen in preference to outside establishments will disappear to a very large extent. In canteens no spirits are sold, and in other establishments where the soldier may go, instead of to his canteen, spirits are sold. The fact of his frequenting these places may not prove desirable. While it is obviously permissible for Hongkong or any other colony to discontinue the relate they grant to the troops I submit that it is a matter for consideration whether this Colony should base its action on the sole, as far as I can see, precedent of Bermudu, or it should base that action precedent of seven other colonies which I have enumerated before. I therefore submit that it would be

desirable that the rebate granted during 1910 should be continued during 1911. Hon. Mr. KESWICK-Your Excellency, had intended to speak in support of this resolution, but after the way, in which the General Officer Commending the Troops has put the case before you there is nothing left for me to say. He has put every argument forward for the naval and military canteens being exempted from the extra duty, and it only occurs to me to suggest to you. Sir, that this would be an apposite time to allow the Navy and Army this concession because the Government is trying to deal with the whole liquor question in its entirety. point made by his Excellency General, who said that the man likely to go from their canteens to places not so desirable. There is no use in my repeating all the arguments which have been put before you. I will merely say that I am entirely in accord with the resolution and trust that the other unofficial members will also vote

Hon. Mr. HEWSTT-Your Excellency,

have all listened with the greatest possible

attention to the plea made by the hon, and gallant

member for the continuance of this rebate to am periectly certain that we all sympathise with the object which he look at it from a different point of view. will more or less deal-with the arguments of the hon, and gallant member as he put them forward. I will first say that the fact that various colonies make grants and do not make grants is, with all due deference, not quite the point we have to consider. Any question of this sort is simply a question of no to que siveris extra which is my own family motto, and which is rendered. "Take your own line of country." It appears to me that here we are not to be encour aged to go out of what we consider our proper line of country simply because somebody elsegoes in a different fashion. The question before us -and it is a very serious problem-is that you have to balance your books at the end of the year, and for a good many years, and being met by a heavily-increas-GENERAL- ing expenditure, we have to consider how

continue the rebate. I think, Sir, enough has been said at this meeting and recent meetings to million dollars. As a matter of fact the figures the Chinese. If we assume the population imposes taxation on His Majesty's forces there- earning my bread and butter. We have got "That the annual payment of an import al-

posse s. over public-houses, that even if this rebate is withdrawn it will be inflicting no hardship, and it is not likely to bring the mon of

His Mujesty's forces to trouble by encouraging them to go to the lower grogshops of the Colony. I think the case has not been made out, and I sincerely hope that this rebate will not be Hon. Mr. POLLOCK-Your Excellency, I very much regret that I also must oppose the resolution which has been proposed by his Excellency the General Officer Commanding. The General referred in his speech to the increased conveniences of life in the Colony, and in the last few minutes I have jetted down on paper some of the increased conveniences which are enjoyed now by the officers and men in the troops of this Colony which were not onjoyed by them some fifteen years ago, and Sir, it is really extraordinary to see what an enormous increase in accommodation and in what I might call general conveniences of living is enjoyed now by the military forces of this Colony as compared with fifteen years ago During that time, Sir, the Mount Austin barracks, which was formerly a hotel at the Peak, has been acquired by the military authorities as an additional barracks for the troops. During the same period new married quarters have been built in a very improved position as compared with the old married quarters. During the same period, again, a very fine military hospital has been completed upon the Bowen Road, a kespital which I think rather puts shame all the civilian hospitals in this Colony. (Applause.) In the same period Headquarters offices have been removed to a much more convenient position, and the old Headquarters offices, which were by no means convenient elther in site or in general arrangement, have been abandoned. Then during W.F.STANLEY the same period a considerable sum of money has been expended by this Colony which is ontirely for the benefit of the general health of the Colony in the training of nullahs on the northern slopes of the hills of the island. Another point, sir, to be mentioned which bears on the question of recreation is the opening of the Soldiers' Club in Queen's Road and the opening of the Soldiers and Sailors' Home in Arsenal Street. I think those are the points, Sir. which have occurred to me within last few minutes as showing how very improved conditions are for the troops serving in this Colony as compared with only fifteen years ago, and, Sir, I think that we civilians certainly cannot claim to have progressed in anything like the same way. We have constructed a railway which has been a very expensive thing for the ratepayers of the Colony, and we are trying hard at the present moment to complete the Law Courts and the new Post Office. I am afraid, Sir, that the military authorities, so far as every convenience concerned, have set us a very good example indeed in the progress made during Excellency the General Officer Commanding the Troops referred to was the suggestion that if this rebate was not continued the price of liquors in the canteen would go up. Well, Sir, I can only say if that would be the effect it is an effect which certainly should not follow, having regard to the provisions of Ordinance 46 of 1901, which it is proposed to replace by Clause 44 of this Bill. That Ordinance expressly provides that no part of the rebate shall be used for the purpose of reducing the prices of liquor in any canteen. It is quite obvious whether there is a rebate or not as the hon. member representing the Chamber of Commerce pointed out, that the military and naval canteens will always have an enormous advantage over the ordinary public-house in this Colony because those cauteens are rent free. They have not such heavy expenses in management and nothing to be paid in respect of any goodwill. As everybody knows who has any experience in these matters that in the case of au ordinary public-house the landlord expects to WHY GO TO have to pay a fairly high rent and the public has to pay a considerably higher price for its liquors obtained in such houses. These conditions are always in favour of the naval and military forces in the Colony so far as. regards the prices at which they can afford to retail their intoxicating liquors. I therefore, Sir, although sorry to have to oppose this resolution, feel bound to i do so. We know that at the present moment the Colony is passing through a period of very great financial stress, and, much as we should like to

show us that it is a matter which we cannot afford, much as we should wish to make the The COLONIAL SECRETARY-Your Excellency, I will detain the Council only a few moments in order to refer to one or two noints which have been made. The first is that the resolution in the form in which it is submitted by the General Officer Commanding Is not

lowance to the Naval and Military Authorities (Continued on page 7.)

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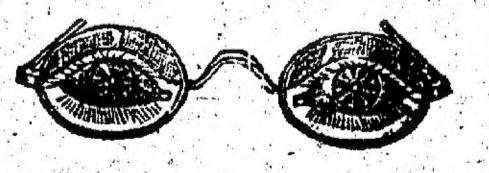
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Bearers of Debentures are invited to attend the drawing. By Order,

JAMES CRAIK Secretary. Hongkong, 2nd March, 1911.

HONGKONG GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

NOTICE.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING . of the Members of the Hongkong GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE WILL be held on MONDAY, the 20th March, 1911, at 4 o'clock P.M., precisely, in the Old Chamber of Commerce Room, CITY HALL, for the following Purposes : -

(1) To receive the Report and Accounts of the Committee for the year ended 31st December, 1910. (2) To elect a new Committee.

(3) To transact any General Business. By Order,

E. A. M. WILLIAMS, Secretary.

Hongkong, 11th March, 1911,

DEVONIAN SOCIETY.

FITHE ANNUAL DINNER will be held at the Hongkong Hotel, on SATURDAY, 25th March, at 8 o'clock P.M. Members and Devonians wishing to attend are requested to send their names to

M. S. NORTHCOTE. Hon. Secretary. Hongkong, 3rd March, 1911.

TERIES DU TONKIN. MONFORMABLY with the Articles of Association the FIRST ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLD-ERS in the above Company will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, 21 rue Jules Ferry, Haiphong, on FRIDAY, the 31st

-March, 1911, at 2 o'clock P.M. -

. For the Board of Directors, T. F. HOUGH, Chairman. Hongkong General Purpose Committee. Hongkong, 13th March, 1911.

SANITARY BOARD.

NOTICE.

FITHE Public are warned that Small-por prevails in the Colony, and all Persons therefore who have not been vaccinated within the past five years are advised to get vaccinated, unless they have had Small-pox. 32 By Order of the Board,

W. BOWEN-ROWLANDS, . Secretary. Dated 15th March, 19t1.

Mr. LO LIM YEUK,

To all to whom it may concern.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the IN Power of Attorney dated the 1st Appust, 1907, purporting to be given by me together with others to the above-named Lo LIM YEUK, of the Portuguese Colony of Macao, Gentleman, has so far as I am concerned This Day been cancelled and revoked by me.

LO LEUNG SHI, No. 18, Pan Cheung Temple,

Witness: STANLEY S. MOORE, Solicitor.

Hongkong. Hongkong, 10th March, 1911.

PUBLIC COMPANIES

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December, 1910, and electing a Consulting Committee and Auditors. The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from MONDAY, the 20th day of March, 1911, until SATURDAY, the 25th days of March, 1911, both days inclusive. SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,

General Managers. Hongkong, 15th March, 1911.

THE CHINA-BORNEO COMPANY, LTD. NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE EIGHTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS of the above Company will be held at the Company's Office, St. George's Buildings, at 12.15. P.M. on TUESDAY, the 28th March, 1911, to receive a Statement of Accounts to the 31st December, 1910, and the Report of the General Manager and Consulting. Committee

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 14th March to 28th March, both days inclusive. THE CHINA-BORNEO C'., LTD.,

W. G. DARBY, General Manager, Hongkong, 9th March, 1911.

THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANC COMPANY, LIMITED.

POTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY: LIMITED, will be held at the Office of the Company, No. 2, Pedder Street, Victoria, Hongkong, TUESDAY, the 4th day of April, 1911, at NOON, when the subjoined Resolutions which were passed at the Extraordinary Meeting held on 10th inst. will be submitted for confirmation

as Special Resolutions. I. That the Articles of Association be altered in manner following:-

(a.) That the following Article shall be inserted after Art. 10, namely, 10a, "The General Managers shall also be entitled in each financial year of the Company to be paid and to deduct out of the assets or income of the Company a commission of ten per cent. upon the gross premia carned or procured for the Company by the General Managers in Hongkong in each financial year (after deduction from such gross promis of the amounts paid by the Company for reinsurances of and for returned promis in respect of the risks to which such gross premia relate) on which premia no commission would spart from the provisions of this Article be paid by the Company."

(b.) By striking out the words "as from time to time may be determined at any meeting" at the end of Article 13 and substituting therefor the words "as may be or have been determined at any time by any General Meeting of the Company until such removeration is altered by any subsequent General Meeting of the

Company." (c.) By striking out the word "FOURTEEN' in Article 43 and substituting therefor the word "SEVEN."

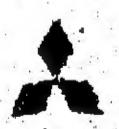
(d.) By striking out the words "between the like periods in every year." at the end of Article 65 and substituting therefor the words "on or before the 31st March

in every year." (e.) By adding at the end of Section 1 of Article 95 the following words: "Any Branch Office of the General Managers situate abroad may be appointed the Agents of the Company abroad under this Section and remunerated in accordance with the provisions thereof."

(f.) By striking out Article III. and substituting therefor the following Article: " The Reserve Fund shall if practicable consist of a sum of not less than \$1,000,000."

2. That all payments heretofore made by the SOCIETE DES PULPES ET PAPE- Company to the Branch Offices of the General Managers of the Company elsewhere than at Hongkong for commission for premia earned or procured for the Company by any such Branch Offices be and they hereby are ratified and confirmed. Dated Hongkong, 10th March, 1911.

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Hongkong, 14th February, 1911.

INTIMATIONS

HONGKONG AVIATION WEEK.

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2.30 P.M.—Prize given by the Managers of the Far East Aviation Co. for an exhibition of diving from a height to the ground, giving the impression of a dangerous fall.

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an Army Officer of Hongkong Garrison. 4 P.M.—Flight with Passenger. A ride in the Aeroplane costs \$75. Applications must be addressed to the Manager, accompanied by cash or cheque. The Programme is subject to change according

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K. OFFER, Manager, Office, 33, Queen's Road Central. Hongkong, 14th March, 1911.

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(BRITISH SECTION.)

SPECIAL NOTICE

AVIATION MEETING-SHATIN. TO BE HELD TO-MORROW (SATURDAY), SUNDAY and MONDAY,

the 18th, 19th and 20th MARCH, 1911."

TIXTRA TRAINS in connection with the AVIATION MEETING will be run to holders of Aviation Tickets at Ordinary Single Fares, from Kowlcon Station at 11.30 A.M. 12.25 P.M. and 1.40 P.M. for Shatin only, returning from Shatin for Kowloon at 5.52, 6.50 and 7.45 P.M. at the Ordinary Single Fares on the following conditions, that unless at least half the accommodation on the outward trains is taken.

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E. S. LINDSEY, Manager. Hongkong, 16th March, 1911.

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HISTORY FROM ITS INCEPTION. 29TH MAY, 1861, TO DATE.

BY THE HON. MR. E. A. HEWETT, CHAIRMAN. (Continued from yesterday.)

At a meeting on 9th August the following ion of the Chamber as to the desirability of adresolution was passed: "That this Chamber mitting the American trade dellar and the desires to record its appreciation of the Japanese yen to circulate as legal tender in the admirable conduct of the late Mr. Consul Colony in view of the scarcity of Mexican del

Empire upon a satisfactory footing." The Honourable Mr. Taylor in his speech | The question of the blockade of Hongkong by proposing this resolution fully set forth the the Hoppo's wessels was again very fully dis-

were then unhappily open to them to mark their | Hoppo's vessels not infrequently collected those appreciation the above resolution was placed on taxes actually in the waters of the Colony. record in the Minute Book-"with a view to The complaints became so numerous that the doing some justice to his memory."

Chamber to all morcantile firms and persons en. on the Commission. gaged or interested in the trade of China. The Annual Subscription was then fixed at \$50 for | declined to furnish the Chamber with a copy of firms and \$15 for individuals.

reference was made to the " retrogressive policy of the Colony was being killed by the blockade." towards China adopted by the British Govern. that the Imperial guarantee given to the ment." The discussion was characterized as Colony as to freedom of trade was not fulfilled, being most disappointing and unsatisfactory.

reasonably be looked for the "grossest ignor- situation." ance" was displayed, and the advantages to be derived from an extension of our commerce were "wholly ignored." After 40 years these state-

alarming extent. and the merits of the West River were discussed, services he had rendered to the trade of and it was decided to draw up a letter explaining the Colony, services which were still to the subject of our commercial relations with be carried out by Sir R. Macdonnell, who was China, this to be circulated to the principal now resident in England. In May, 1875, the Chambers of Commerce in order to make the reply of the Secretary of State (Lord Carnarquestion fully understood and to obtain the von) was referred to and spoken of as being

speedy redress for existing complaints. Arrangements were subsequently made with the letter.

for Foreign Affairs (The Earl of Chrendon). Governor, and a letter to this effect was sent to who in the opinion of the Hongkong Community | the Secretary of State. was entirely indifferent to the prosperity of and simultaneously a lar. o and influential meet. Colony. ing was held in St. Andrew's Hall, at the City Officials with regard to the Colopy. A resolution weighing of all coin passing hands. tion remonstrating against the ratification . In the earlier days of foreign trade with of the proposed treaty was passed and a South China the "Carolus," or "Pillar" Dollar

on the 14th Jenuary. to make an expedition into Southern China, petition to the Chamber of Commerce praying more particularly along the course of the West | that steps be taken to legalize the circulation of River, and report to the Chamber with a view all classes of dollar (old or new) which had to finding new channels for trade.

It was suggested at one time that Mr. Moss | Note .- For the information of new arrivals in might be attached to Baron Von Richthofen's | the Far East, it may be here mentioned that the Expedition, but this was declined by the latter chopping of silver dollars, which is known to on the ground that the two expeditions were many of us, consisted in each Chinesefirm through undertaken for entirely different purposes, the whose hands the coin passed, punching their one commercial, the other scientific. After mark on the coin. Such "Chopped" dollars are much discussion it was agreed to vote a sum of still not infrequently met with. The trouble, how-\$2,000.00 towards Mr. Moss' expenses, and it ever from which the trade suffered was that at this was suggested that that gentleman should appeal time many of the dollars had been in circulation to the public for subscriptions; by this means a for a long period. The original shape of the coin further sum of about \$3,000.00 was secured.

Mr. Moss asked for no payment, but merely for sufficient funds to cover his expenses. In March of this year the Chamber of Commerce arranged with the Committee of the were entirely pierced and native traders would City Hall to rent a room there for \$75.00 a month, and this arrangement the centre and perhapsalso some small fragments continued until 1905, when the Chamber's Offices were transferred to their present site in

St. George's Building. In October, 1870, Mr. M. Moss' report on his journey up the West River was received and ordered to be printed, his proposed expedition to Pakhoi having been abandoned. At the half-yearly meeting held on 23rd

November, 1870, very severe comments were made upon the action-or rather inaction-of accepted : the Local Chinese Authorities, which permitted the atrocious murder of Europeans - chiefly Sisters of Charity-at Tientsin.

The year 1871 seems to have been a very unevential one so far as the Chamber of Commerce was concerned. Renewed protests. were made against licensed gambling in the Colony and complaint was also made as to the entire stoppage of trade with Pakhei owing to the expedition sent against the town organized by the Imperial Maritime Customs with vessels commanded by British subjects.

Further reference is here made to the "blockade" of Hongkong, which still continued in spite of the promise of the Imperial Government to withdraw the obnoxious gunboats.

The question of obtaining prompt and reliable business telegrams from London and Shanghai re-establishing a mint in Hongkong for the had already repeatedly occupied the attention coinage of dollars and subsidiary coin which was of the Chamber In Merch, 1872, an duty carried. The Government, however, arrangement was come to for the regular unfortunately did not adopt the proposal and supply of telegrams through Reuter's Agency, what, as we now know, would have proved, a and this was subsequently extended to very profitable undertaking and a great boon to political messages. This arrangement con- trade was thus lost to the Colony. tinued in force until 1908, when the service annual subscription of \$1,500.00.

About this time the Chamber entered into cor- closed "by an error of judgment." respondence with the Government, urging that During the year further correspondence was steps be taken to arrange for the proper light- carried on between the Chamber and the Goving of the approaches to the harbour. A quest erament with regard to the registration of tion which constantly engaged the attention of partners in Chinese firms trading in the Colony.

he question of a proper survey of the China | ing made in either direction. Coast was discussed during 1873, and a proposal At the annual meeting held on 4th March, was made at the general meeting held on 27th 1879, a long discussion took place with re-ard to January, 1873, to raise a special fund with a the Blockade, and it was finally decided to view to providing gratuities to native fishermen appoint a Committee to interview Sir Thomas for reporting unknown reefs and rocks, as it Wade, the British Minister at Peking, who was frequently happened when a vessel was wrecked shortly expected in the Colony, and to lay on an uncharted rock, the position of the rock | before him the grievances which existed in this administered by the Chamber of Commerce.

At the same meeting a grant of \$500 was made towards the expense of printing Bar no Von Richthofen's work on China, and reference was made to the defective and entirely inadequate Fire Brigade. A protest was also made during the year against the with-drawal of the dollar note which had been first issued by the Hongkong and Shaughai Bank in 1872, under agreement with the Government.

During 1874 the Government asked the opin-

Gibson in bringing about a settlement in lars. There was a good deal of difference of November last of the wrongs inflicted upon opinion among the members on this question, British subjects by the Chinese officials at and ultimately it was decided to request the Taiwan and its neighbourhood and of at length | Governor to communicate with the Home Auplacing our relations with that part of the thorities of the mint and endeavour to arrange for the coinage of a suitable dollar for the Colony.

services rendered by Mr. Gibson, which included | cussed at a meeting in August of this year, as, the landing of an armed naval party at Amping. | emboldened by previous successes, the Canton The Foreign Office severely reprimended Mr. Officials were now stopping all junks entering Gibson, and this, coming on the top of ill-health and leaving the harbour, collecting dues not caused by the exertions and worries endured, only on opium but on all other cargo. This not ultimately caused his death. Mr. Gibson died only on junks bound to and fro between the at Amoy on the 28th July, 1869.

Colony and Canton, but also on vessels coming The British Community thoroughly appreciat or going between Hongkong and distant ports ed the great services rendered by Mr. Gibson far removed from the Hoppo's jurisdiction. in protecting the lives and property of British | Even fishing and vegetable boats were over-Subjects in Formosa, and as no other, means hanled and compelled to pay dues, while the

Governor appointed a special Commission to In September a resolution was passed with a enquire into the matter, a member of the Comview to extending the membership of the mittee of the Chamber being invited to a seat

- Contrary to expectation, however, the Governor the Commissioner's report. The Committee A recent discussion in Parliament on China | therefor decided to draw up a memorial to the affairs was referred to at this meeting when Secretary of State pointing out that the trade and complaining of the utter instrention of In quarters where correct information might the Government at Home to this most serious After long discussion it was agreed to forward

the memorial to the Socretary of State. On the 22nd March, 1875, the memorial was ments unfortunately still hold good to an logain referred to, and in this connection a formal vote of thanks was recorded to the late The question of trade on the Upper Yangtze | Governor, Sir R. Macdonnell, for the valuable

most unsatisfactory. Judging from a statement made later by the Mr. J. C. Whyte, Barrister at-Law, to draw up | Governor (Sir A. Kennedy) in the Legislative Council, it was hoped some little good had Farly in the year 1870 this letter was com- resulted from the agitation, but the Chamber pleted and despatched to the Secretary of State | did not endorse all the suggestions made by the

The year 1876 was another uneventful one. Hongkong and its residents, and this appears to few questions of any importance coming up for have influenced Sir R. Alcock in drafting the consideration, while no progress was made in new treaty. A letter was addressed to the dealing with the Blockade, in spite of the efforts British Minister, asking for an interview, which of the Chamber to put a stop to the illegal was granted. This meeting was arranged for, levies on goods arriving at and leaving the

The question of a proper coinage for Hong-Hall, on 3rd January, 1870, at which nearly 70 kong again arose during 1877, as much inconpeople were present, when some very strong venience was experienced in carrying on the remarks were passed-adversely criticising the trade of the Colony owing to the large proporproposed treaty and the attitude of the British tion of "Chopped dollars," which necessitated

Committee was appointed to draw up a me- as it was called, was the principal medium of morial to H.M. Government setting forth the exchange. This was shortly followed by the reasons for this remonstrance. The memorial Mexican dollar and later by the New Mexican, was duly passed at the half-yearly meeting held and the United States trade dollar.

The question was now raised by the Chinese South coast of China between | Same as No. 1. About this time Mr. Michael Moss proposed members of the Community, who presented a hitherto been in circulation chopped or otherwise

was in many cases entirely altered, often resombling the form of a shallow cup, while the minting of the coin was disfigured almost beyond recognition. In time even some of the coins produce a coin with an irregular hole cut out in of broken silver, supposed to represent the missing part of the coin. It was obvious that these fragments taken together fell far

short in weight of the original coin. - E.A.H.]. Considerable difference of opinion was expressed by the various members of the Chamber with regard to the proposal put forward by the Chinese, but finally the following resolution proposed by Mr. (now Sir Thomas) Jackson was

"That the Committee be instructed to reply to the Colonial Secretary's letter of 14th April, 1877, that this Chamber advocate that Government make chopped dollars weighed at 7.17 s legal tender in this Colony, Such dollars to be whole and not either clipped or

A further resolution was carried suggesting that the Government make the United States trade dollar legal tender (if unchopped) owing to the searcity of Mexican dollars, and the fact that the British dollar might not be available for some considerable time. As a matter of fact the new British trade dollar did not make its appearance until 1895.

All the annual meeting on 7th March, 1878, the Chairman again brought up the question of

At this meeting it was stated the mint was was transferred to two of the local papers, on closed by Sir Richard Macdonnell "in diamethe Hongkong Government withdrawing its trical opposition to the wishes of the Banks and and Merchants of Hongkong," and that it was

the Committee from that date till the present and the much vexed question of the Stamp Act. without however, any appreciable progress be-

was well known to the local boating people, and other matters of trade, owing to the action This fund was subsequently raised and is still of the Chinese Officials in Kwang tung. (To be continued.)

THE MISHAP TO THE "FASTERN."

COST OF REPAIRS ESTIMATED AT TEN THOUSAND STERRING.

The E. and A. liner Eastern, which was oground on Salamander Hank, Moreton Bay, for ten days, was floated into dock yesterday, says the Brisbane Courier of February 10. The principal damage is on the port side of the keel, involving the whole of the bottom plating, which is more or less corrugated, from about the fourth hatch to abast the engine-room. The whole length of the rolling chock on each side of the vessel is damaged, having evidently acted as a buffer and prevented further damage. Experts consider that the strength of the ship was her salvation, and those who examined her were agreeably surprised to find that the damage was, comparatively speaking, so little. It is reported that only one rivet was leaking badly, and that was in a tank. Captain Taylor stated that it was impossible at present to fully estimate the cost of repairing the ship, but he was of the opinion that it would involve an expenditure of about £10,000. The ship would have to remain in dock about six or seven weeks, unless overtime was worked. It is stated that there is now nothing to prevent the Eastern from proceeding to her repairing port, which, in this case, is Sydney.

The finding of the Marine Board in respect to the recent grounding of the steamer reached the Treasurer on February 10. The full particulars of the finding were not at once made available, the Minister having deemed it advisible before making it public to submit certain questions to the Marine Board, which are understood to have relation to the record and reputation of Pilot Maxwell. That officer is one of the oldest pilots in the service, with a record of some 22 years, during which he has had only one minor mishap, which was held to be adequately met by a fine of £1. Subsequently, the finding was made available, and it proved to be in the following terms :- The board, having carefully considered the evidence, find that the stranding of the Eastern was due to over-confidence on the part of the pilot in navigating the steamer in the North Channel at full speed, when the loads were obscured by a passing squall, instead of anchoring until the weather cleared. He appears not to have calculated the distance right, and also to have mired up the identity of the buoys. The pilot frankly and unreservedly takes the blame for the casualty entirely to himself, and the board are unable to discover in the evidence anything to warrant them either taking an opposite view or as implicating anyone else. The board therefore find that the stranding was caused by the default of Pilot Maxwell, and recommend that his licence as a pilot for the port of Brisbane be suspended for three months." The finding of the board has been endorsed by the Minister.

WEATHER REPORT.

On the 16th at 11.55 a.m.—The barometer has risen quickly over E. Japan and fallen conaiderably on the E. and N.E. coast of China. The depression lying over N.E. Japan yes-

terday has moved away over the Pacific. A depression is developing over the Eastern Sea, and a low pressure area still covers Tongking and S. W. China. The high pressure area lies now over E.

Moderate S.E. winds may be expected over the

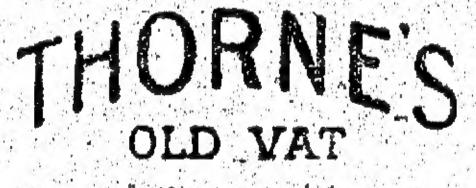
N. part of the China Sea. Hougkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inches.

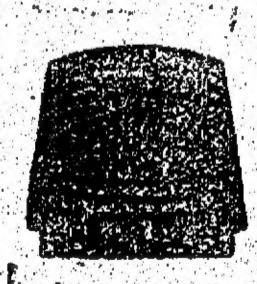
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Puglia, propected cruiser, 2,498, tons, 26 guns, 7,000 h.p., Capitano Gusani Viyconti Marhese Lorenzo

Décidée, gunboat, 630 tons, 10 guns, 900 h.p. Patria, gunboat, 700 tons, Captain J. Affrexo Reinha D. Amelia, cruiser, 1,600, tons, Captain C. Lima Vasco da Gama, craiser, 3,032, tons, Capta Augusto Jose da Almeida

UNITED STATES. Albany, cruiser, 3,000 tons, C. S. Williams. Arayat, gunboat, Lieut.-Comdr. Matt H Bainbridge, destroyer, 7 guns and 2 torpedo

tubes Ensign Lloyd W. Townsend Barry, destroyer, 420 tons, Ens. Edmund 8 Calleo, gunboat, 243 tons, Ecs. J. B. Murrisson

Cleveland, cruiser 3,200 tons, Commander Hr h Rodman, Shanghai Charleston, battle-hip (flagship), 9,700, tons 58 gans, 21,000 h.p., Comdr. John H. Gibbins Shangkai

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Dale, destroyer, 420 tons, Lieut. Herbert H Denver, cruiser, 3,200 tons, Comdr. Edward E.

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VESSELS EXPECTED.

THE AMERICAN MAIL. The P. M. S.S. Co. str. China from San

Francisco, sailed from Yokohama on the 13th instant, en route to Hongkong, and is due to arrive at Hongkong on the 20th inst. The P. M. S.S. Co. str. Asia sailed from San Francisco on the 15th instant for Hongkong, via Honolulu, Yokohama, Kobe, Nagasaki and

Shanghai, and is due to arrive at Hongkong on Mrs Gorgue, Mr H. Gair, Mr, Mrs and Miss the 12th prox.

THE AUSTRALIAN MAIL. due here this morning. THE CANADIAN MAIL.

where she is due to arrive at 9 s.m. to-day. call) on the 6th instant p.m. THE GREMAN MAIL.

The I.G.M. str. Kleist, carrying the German Mails with date from Berlin of the 22nd ult. left Colombo on the 12th inst. p.m., and may be expected here on or about the 23rd inst. a.m. THE INDIAN MAIL. The Indo-China str. Fooksang from Calentta

and the Straits left Singapore for this port on the 11th instant, at 6 a.m., and is due here to- Mr Jeun, Mr and Mrs Peppercorn and child, The Indo-China str. Laisang from Caloutta

the 15th inst., at 4 p.m. MERCHANT STEAMERS.

Prince, from New York, is due here to-day. pore for this port on the 11th instant, and is from Singapore, Mr Dawson; for Kobe, from London, Mr and Mrs Lightfoot; from Port due here to-day. The Philippines Co. str. Zafiro left Manila Said, Mr and Mrs Vengh; from Colombo, Mr

on the 14th instant afternoon, and is due here Mahomed and Mr Ibrahim; from Singapore, Mr and Mrs Tripp, Mr F. Day, Miss Lefron, to-day at daylight. Galveston, cruiser, 3,20 tons, Commarder The H.-A. Linie str. Silesia left Shanghai on Mr and Mrs Parlett; for Yokohama, from Lonthe 15th inst. p.m., and may be expected here don, Mr J. A. Davis, Miss Kent, Mr and Mrs.

Cooke, Col. G. Hamilton, Mr Van Marle, Mr to-morrow p.m. The H.-A. Linie str. Sambia left Shanghai and Mrs Steblyord; from Marseilles, Mr Straton the 15th instant p.m., and may be expected ton, Miss Thomson, Mr H. Logan, Mr Stephen, Mr Marshall, Mr J. M. Beck, Mrs Roeves, hers to-morrow p.m. The N.Y.K. str. Inaba Maru (American Miss Robin, Mr W. Ramsey, Mr H. Grey and Line) left Kobe for this port via Moji and Mr Cartwright; from Colombo, Mr and Mrs.

here on the 19th instant. The str. Glenstrae passed the Suez Canal on the 14th ult., and is due here on or about 20th The Mogul Line str. Montrose from United HUNG NGOI SAN PO

Kingdom left Singapore on the 15th inst., and is due here on or about the 21st inst. The O.S.K. str. Mexico Maru from Tacoma, arrived at Yokohama on the 8th inst., and left thence for this port via Kobe and Shanghai, and is due to arrive at this port on the 23rd

The N.Y.K. str. Bingo Maru (Bombay Line) left Bombay for this port via Colombo and here on the 28th instant.

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PASSENGERS.

ARETVED. Per Kutsang, from Japan, Mrs J. Leite. 3

SINGAPORE, March 2.

children and nurse. Per Devanha, for Hongkong, from London, Mr Eames, Mr Louis, Mr and Mrs Nuttail, Mr and Mrs Beash, Dr. Haddsen, Mr H. Greev. Mr G. Mellis, Mr Mudel, Mr Edwards, Miss. Loslie, Mr and Mrs Cruickshank, Major and Mrs Tullock, child, infant and maid, Mr and Mrs Moss and infant, Corl. Hutchins, Mrs Fitzpatrick, Mr and Mrs Robertson, Miss S. Dickinson, Miss Jennings. Mr and Mrs Ditson; from Marseilles. Mr and Mrs Balfour. Mrs Fawal, McGowan, and Mr Lambert; from Gibraltar. Misses Broadhead (2), Miss Huber, Miss John-The E. & A. str. Aldenham from Sydney, &c., son, Mr Atkinson Misses Montefune, Heury left Manila on the 14th inst., at 7 p.m., and is (2); from Bombay, Mr and Mrs Chihiavis, Miss Jefferson; from Colombo. Lt. General Wolfe Murray, Miss Jennings, Mr and Mrs Fraser: The C.P.R. Co.'s str. Empress of China from Penang. Mr Ince; from Singapore, Dr. arrived at Shanghai at 10 a.m. on the 14th just, and Mrs Gibbons and child, Messrs H. and M. and left again at 9 p.m. same day for Hongkong, E. Erskine, Mr Haumann, Mr and Mrs Arbit, Dr. Henderson, Miss C. Page, Mr and Mrs The C.P.R. Co.'s str. Monteagle left Van- Currie, Mr C. L. Sum, Mr Pereira, Mr Concis. conver, B.C., for Hongkong (via usual ports of Mr and Mrs Jesus, Mr Jose, Mr and Mrs Francis, Mr and Mrs Hogan and son, Mr P. Van der Stadt, Mr F. J. Lloyd, Mr Dawson, Mr and Mrs Tripp, Mr F. Day, Miss Lefron, Mr and Mrs Parlett, Count Aclesward and Mr Cesaune; for Manila, from London, Mr C. T. Crane; for Shanghai, from London, Mr and Mrs Simpson, Mr Pedin, Miss Burton, Miss Madison, Mrs Crane, Mr E. S. Hine, Mr Hyttmen. Mr and Mrs Boun and child, Mr and Mrs Dalton, 3 children and infant, Sub.-Lt. Shar, Mr G. Sharp, Mis: Fanner, Dr. and Mrs Thomson, child, infant and nurse, Lt. Col. and Mrs and the Straits left Singapore for this port on | Koe | from Marseilles, Mr F. Hubert, Miss Mildred, Mr Carere, Mr and Mrs Brent, Mr D. Cenhardt, Mr A. Bellamy and Mr Morris; from The American & Oriental Line str. Afghan Brindisi, Mr R. G. F. McBain and valet; from Bombay, Mr Danchi; from Colombo, Mr L. E. The Austrian Lloyd's str. Austria left Singa. Mather; from Penang, Mr Moosa and servant :

Shanghai of the 10th instant, and is expected Loreday, Mrs and Miss Brewner.

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HONGKONG LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

(Continued from page 3.) made permissive by Clause 44 (1) of the Liquors Consoliation Ordinance, 1910, be continued for the year 1911-1912." The Liquors Consoliation Ordinance, of course, is not in force. It is merely in draft before the Council at present. Therefore I would suggest to bis Excellency the General that the resolution should be meneded to read "contemplated import allowance." There is one further point. Our dinancial year coincides with the calendar year, therefore the resolution should be "be continued for the year 1911." Now, Sir, I will briefly address myself to the financial side of the question and give you in the first place the figures for 1910. In that year the gross revenue from liquer duties was, as already stated, \$445,900.10. From that we had to pay a military and naval, authorities during last year \$56,112. After these sums have been deducted, the balance carried to the orelit of the Colony was \$29,008. The cost of collection was \$64,519.98, therefore the net result of the fluor duties was only \$234,683. The position-as regards this year is that if the liquor tariff as amended by the resolution which the Council has just passed comes into force and is not changed by a fature resolution which the Council has just passed comes into force and is not changed by a fature resolution which the Council has just passed comes into force and is not changed by a fature resolution which the Council has just passed comes into force and is not changed by the resolution which the Council has just passed comes into force and is not changed by the resolution which the Council has just passed comes into force and is not changed by the resolution which the Council has just passed comes into force and is not changed by the resolution which the Council has just passed comes into force and is not changed by the resolution which the Council has just passed comes into force and is not changed by the resolution which the Council has just passed comes into force and is not changed by the resolution of the financial troubles in Shanghai made permissive by Clause 44 "(1) of the Liof that military rebate paid the same rebate sugars concessions in price had to be made all as last year to the military authorities it would still carry to the imperial fund a sum of \$138,444. If the Council adopt this resolution a sum of \$56,000 odd must be galded to the anticipated deficit, which I may inform the Council, would be a not unsatisfactory, enabling us as it does to \$118,394. The Colony would therefore at the recommend a final dividend of \$5 per share and end of the year still be faced by a deficit of to place a substantial sum to credit of Equalization s174,506, and we are not in a position. Sir, to tion of Dividend Fund, of both of which I face such a deficit. I would draw attention to trust you will approve. Since the beginning of

Naval forces only. were one or two points raised to which it is Asto the correctness of this report, and as to necessary that I should reply. In the first place whether they will be able to carry out their both the hon, member representing the threats. I am not certain yet. But we took Chamber of Commerce and my hon, friend immediate steps to find out from our Yokohams Mr. Pollock referred to the question of House if this is correct, and if so we asked the rise in the price of beer owing to them to approach the Commercial Attaché et the abelition of the rebate. I think this is Tokyo with a view to discovering whether the principally a misunderstanding owing to the condensed form in which I have referred to the question. I should perhaps explain that the we must have a free hand. Before putting the rebate when granted was granted with adefinite motion that the report and accounts be passed. provise that it should not reduce the price of I shall be glad to answer any questions, boer, and it has not. But that relate has pro-vided for certain benefits in the way of medicine proposed the adoption of the report and accounts and recreation funds which at Home are as presented. provided by profits from the sale of beer, Mr. CLARKE seconded the motion, which was and which had there been no rebate the soldier carried unanimously. derstood my arguments about the soldier mittee. the civilian. The point I wish to very apt to forget, serves in Hongkong Potts and H. Percy Smith should be reappointed for exactly the same pay as he gets in England, anditors. Can the civilian say that he does the same? As regards improvements during the had on application to-morrow, gentlemen. last difteen years, referred to by Mr. Pollock, thank you for your attendance. there have been great improvements, but they have been made to bring the soldier's housing, etc., up to the standard which prevails LUZON SUGAR REFINING CO., LTD. at Home. As they have advanced at Home so has it been found necessary to advance the convenience of the troops in the Colonies. These conveniences which he enjoys for a period of three years in the Colony Jardine, Matheson & Co., at 12 30 p.m. yesterhe would get wherever else he went. The day. The Hon. Mr. H. Keswick was in the hon. Colonial Secretary referred to the fact that officers did not get free quarters P. White and J. W. C. Bonnar (Consulting in India, but that has been carefully considered by every rank getting better pay than they- G. C. Mexon, P. Tester, S. H. Michael, R. D. are getting in the Colonies.

The resolution was then put to the meeting, Sien. and resulted as follows :-Ayes: His Excellency the General Officer | moeting. Commanding and Hon. Mr. Keswick. Nees : Hon. Mr. Osborne Hon. Mr. Hewett, Hon. Mr. Pollock, Hon. Mr. Wei Yuk,

Hon. Dr. Ho Kai, the Captain Superintendent of Police, the Registrar General, the Director of Public Works, the Colonial Treasurer, the Attorney General and the Colonial Secretary,

The report of the further proceedings of the Council, relating to other legislation, will be published to-morrow.

BATTLE WITH CHINESE AT SINGAPORE.

A small force of police recently raided some Chinese gamblers at the coolie lines at Tanjong Pager, and made several arrests. Hundreds of -coolies then attacked the police, rescued the prisoners, used poles and changkols, and threw missiles. Supt. Savi, in guarding a blow nimed at his head, received a heavy blow on the right hand, several of the bones of which were broken. A Malay policeman got his head broken. The police were forced to retire and lost Mr. W. Peacock, who was with the party. The police returned with reinforcements, when the Malays made a baton charge and Mr. Peacock was rescood uninjured. The injured Malay policeman was removed to hospital.

ENGLISHMAN BURNT IN A JAPANESE ASYLUM.

An Englishman, Dr. G. Willoughby, said to be a son of the late Lord Willoughby de Eresby. was burnt to death in a fire which occurred recently at the Kanagawa lunatic asylum, Yokohama. The Japan Gazette says Dr. Willoughby came to Yokohama last year, and for a time had rooms at the Salvation Army Hotel, where he stayed for about two months. He was mentally deranged, and a fire which recently occurred at the Hotel is said to have been caused by him. After the fire Dr. Willoughby was removed to the Kanagawa Asylum. This asylum has now been totally destroyed by fire. There were only seventeen patients in the building at the time, but all but Dr. Willoughby and one Japanese woman

COMPANY MEETINGS.

CHINA SUGAR REFINING CO., LTD

The thirty-third ordinary annual meeting of shareholders in this Company was, held at the

face such a deficit. I would draw attention to one further point with regard to the remarks which his Excellency the General made concorning pay in India as compared with the pay of the troops in Hongkong. Indian pay, I understand, includes compensation for climate, and officers serving there get no free quarters and have to have a complete active service equipment provided at their own expense. They have also to maintain about six or seven servants and practically they must keep a horse. Therefore in India after all is said and done they are hardly better off that they are here. The Government is unable to accept the resolution as proposed by the General Triere is another matter which has occurred accept the resolution as proposed by the General There is another matter which has occurred Officer Commanding, but I am authorised to within the last two or three days. In Japan the say it would be willing to consider a further import dealers have got together and decided resolution if brought forward affecting the that they will not import any more foreign sugar. They have also threatened to boycott any in-HIS EXCELLENCY THE GENERAL-There dividual or firm who buys foreign augur.

would have had to forego, or to pay as he will

now have to do an extra price for his beer. My
hon. friend, the member for the Chamber of Messrs. J. W. C. Bonnar, H. P. White and W. Commerce, I think, somewhat misun- Logan were re-elected to the Consulting Com-

> Mr. PEARCE proposed, Mr. Rodger seconded, that the soldier, - people are and it was agreed, that Messrs. W. Hutton

The Chairman - Dividend warrants may be

The twenty-ninth ordinary annual meeting of sharoholders in the above Company took place at the offices of the General Agents, Messrs. chair, and there were also present : Messrs. H. Committee), Mr. J. Barton (Secretary), Messra. Dastur, F. Soures, Wong Loung Him and Po

The Secretary read-the notice calling the

The CHAIRMAN said :- Gentlemen,-The Report and Accounts having been in your hands for some days we will with your permission follow the usual course and take them as read. I regret that the hopes of better times expressed by my predecessor when addressing you at our last annual meeting have, as far as 1910 is concerned, not been fulfilled, but as you are probably aware the year was one of great disappointment in the sugar trade generally, and it is only natural therefore that we should have to bear our share of it. During the earlier months there was a steady demand for our sugars in the local market at prices which showed a fair margin, and although sales were insufficient to keep the Refinery at full work it appeared probable that the results of the year would at all events be no worse than those of 1909. From July on wards, however, the market became exceedingly dull, the competition of outside sugars increased, and it was found impossible to maintain prices at a paying level, a steady decline taking place until the end of the year, resulting in a loss on working of \$21,605.79, as shown by the Accounts presented to you. At themoment I regret to say there is little prospect of much improvement, as though the Refinery has been at work since the beginning of the year prices remain too low to admit of any profit being made for the present; on the other hand with the low rates now ruling, consumption ought to improve, enabling us to increase our output of sugar and thus reduce the rates of cost, Before moving the adoption of the Report and Accounts I shall be pleased to answer any questions which shareholders may desire to

There were no questions. The CHAIRMAN proposed the adoption of the report and accounts as presented. Mr. TESTER seconded, and the motion was

carried unanimously. Mr. MICHAEL proposed the re-election of Temperature ... Messrs. H. P. White and J. W. C. Bonnar to Humidity..... the Consulting Committee.

Mr. DASTUR seconded, and the motion was agreed to Mr. A. R. Lowe was reappointed auditor, on Rain the motion of Mr. Moxon, seconded by Mr.

Wone Leving Him. The CHAISMAN-That is all the business.

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HONGKONG METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

Hongkong Observatory, March 16th. Previous On Date On Date at 4 p.m. 10 a.m. 4 pm. Barometer Bouth Wind Direction ...

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Weather

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E. A. HEWETT, Saperintendent. Hongkong, 15th March, 1911.

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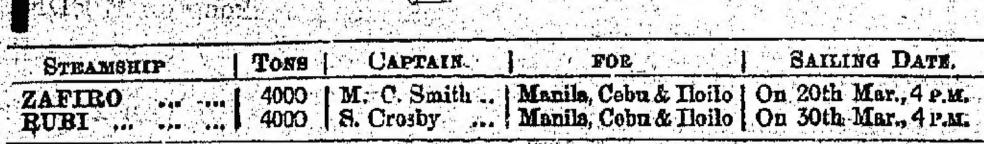
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- Mitan Bishi Goshi Kwa'sha. KUTSANG, British str., 3,110, R. E. D. Bradley, 15th Murch-Japan 11th March, General-Jardine, Matheson & Co.

LOOSOK, German etr., 1,020, G. Schultzen, 15th March—Bangkok 8th March, Rice and Meal-Butterfield & Swire. LOWTHER CASTLE, British str., 2,901, A. Howe,

16th March-Swatow 15th March, Empty -Shewan, Tomes & Co. PHEUMPENH, British str., 1,056, J. N. Scott. "-16th March-Saigon 12th March, Rice and General-Wo Fat Sing.

QUINTA, German str., 900, Schleimzer, 15th March-Bangkok 8th March, White Rico-Siemsson & Co. RAJABURI, German str., 1,189, H. Bremer, 16th March - Bangkok 10th March, Rice and

Wood-Butterfield & Swire. ROMANY, British str., 2,579, McDonnell, 16th March-Taku 10th March, for docking-Asiatic Petroleum & Co.

Shanst, British str., 16th March-Canton. TITTAROEM, Dutch str., 2,116, V. Zwart, 16th March-Java and Batavia, General - Java-China-Japan Liju: WALTON HALL, British str., 4,766, J. Leary, 16th March-New York, Kerosene Oil-

WINGSANG, British str., 16th Mar .- Canton.

CLEARANCES. THE HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE. 16th March. Devanha, British str., for Shanghai. Haiching, British str., for Swatow. Hongkong, French str., for Haiphong. Koral, Gorman str, for Bangkok. Mathilde, German str., for Holhow. Nippon Maril, Jap. str., for San Francisco. Quito, British str., for Manila, Ulv, Norwegian str., for Saigon. Yawata Mare, Japaneso str., for Australia.

DEPARTURES 16th March. ANHUI, British str., for Shanghai. Bombay Maru, Japanese str., for Shanghai. BORNEO, British str., for Shanghai. CHOYSANG, British str., for Canton, KAMO MABU, Japanese str., for Kobe. KUEICHOW, British.str., for Canton. MEEFOO, Chineso str., for Shanghai. SHINCHIKU MARU, Japanese str., for Anping. STANDARD, Norwegian str., for Saigon.

SHIPPING REPORTS. The British str. Kutsang reports: Dense fog on 9th and 10th inst

The Brit. str. Lowther Castle reports: Light variable winds, foggy. The British str. Romany reports : Dense fog. from Shantung Prom - to 100 miles from port; light S.E. and S'ly. breeze as far as Ocksen and moderate Northerly breeze from Ocksen to

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LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c ROTTERDAM & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	PALAWAN	Brit. str Ger. str		C. R. Longdon, R.N.B.	P. & C. S. N. Co	About 5th April.
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MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &	HIBANO MARU	Jan. str.		H. Fraser	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 29th inst, at D'light
MARSEILLES, HAVRE & HAMBURG, &c	RHEINFELS			K. Kawara	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINKE	On 12th April, at D'light On 15th April.
THESTE, &c., VIA SINGAPORE, &c	VORWAERTS	Aus. etr.	_	R. Dannecker	SANDER. WIELER & Co	On 29th inst., at 2 P.M.
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BOSTON & NEW YORK	GHAZER	Brit. str	-	400 000 000 000	Dodwell & Co., Ltd.	About 7th April.
VANCOUVER VIA SHANGHAI, JAPAN, &c	EMPEESS OF CHINA.	Brit. str	1 m.		CANADIAN PACIFIC R. Co	On 8th April, at 7 A.M.
VICTORIA, C.B. & TACOMA VIA JAPAN, &C.	SEATTLE MARU	Jap. str	_	trade of the same	USAKA SHOSEN KAISHA	On 22nd inst., at D'light
VICTORIA, B.C. & SEATTLE VIA SHANGHAI, &C. VICTORIA, B.C. & SEATTLE, VIA SHANGHAI, &C.	TAMBA MARU	Jap. str		Tominaga K. Noda	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 28th inst., at Noon On 25th April, at Noon
VANCOUVER, B.C., & SEATTLE VIA SHANGHAI, &C	STRATHARDLE	Brit, str		Lamont	THE BANK LINE, LIMITED	On 13th April.
SAN FRANCISCO VIA SHANGHAI & JAPAN & SAN FRANCISCO VIA SHANGHAI & JAPAN, &c	SIBERIA	Am. str	****	H. S. Smith	PACIFIC MAIL S.S. Co.	To-day, at 1 P.M. On 24th inst., at 1 P.M.
SAN FRANCISCO VIA SHANOHAI & JAPAN, &c.	China	Am. str	· -		PACIFIC MAIL S.S. Co	On 31st inst., at 1 P.M.
PORTLAND VIA JAPAN AUSTRALIAN PORTS VIA MANILA	YAWATA MARU	Nor. atr Jan. atr	1	J. Nagao	PORTLAND & ASIATIC S.S. CO.	On 8th April. To-day, at Noon.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS VIA MANILA	COBLENZ	Ger. str.		H. Raegener	Мессиева & Со	On 25th inst., at D'light
AUSTRALIAN PORTS VIA MANILA	NIKKO MARU	Brit. str Jap. str	l m.	L. Dawson M. Yagi	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 10th April, at 4 P.M. On 14th April, at Noon
KOBE & YOKOHAMA	AKI MARU	Jap. str		K. Homma	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 30th inst., at 11 A.M.
NAGASARI KOBE & YOKOHAMA	PRINZ WALDEMAE	Jap. str		F Iseke M. Winckler	MELCHERS & CO	About 4th April. On 12th April, at Noon.
JAPAN, HONOLULU, MANZANILLO, &c	Buyo Maru	Jap. str		K. Hashimoto	Toyo Kisen Kaisha	On 19th April, at 1 P.M.
TSINGTAU & NEWCHWANG	SHANSI	Brit. str))	P J. van Emmerick Richards	JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LIJN	Quick despatch. To-day, at 4 F.M.
WEIHAIWEI & TIFNTSIN	CHEONGSHING	Brit. str Brit. str.		V. McClyonmt-Liddell	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 20th inst. at 4 P.M.
TIENTSIN VIA WEIHAIWEI	CHENAN	Brit. str	i m.	4. Mooryonme-manes	JAHDINE. MATHESON & Co., LD BUTTERFIELD AND SWIRE	On 21st inst., at Noon To-morrow, at Midnight
SHANGHAI VIA SWATOW SHANGHAI YOKOHAMA & KOBE	WINGBANG	Brit. str Swed. str.	1 m.	H. G. Walker	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., LD MELCHERS & Co.	On 19th inst., at D'light
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SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	PALMA	Brit. str.	-	E. W. Cockman, R.N.R.	P. & O. S. N. Co	About 23rd inst.
SHANGHAL KOBE & YOKOHAMA	- ·	Brit. str.		Eckhorn A. Harris	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 24th inst. On 25th inst., at M'night
SHANGHAI, MOJI & KOBE	BINGO MARU	Jap. str.	-	S. J. G. Parsons	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 29th inst.
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	TJITAROEM	Thurst adar	k. w.	Kotzte	Hamburg-Amerika Linie Javi-China-Japan Lijn	On 7th April. Quick despatch
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HAIPHONG	SINGAN	Brit. str Brit. str	_	James P. H. Rolfe	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 22nd inst., at Noon,
MANILA CEBU & ILOILO	ZAFIRO	Am. str		M. C. Smith.	Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ld Shewan, Tomes & Co.	To-morrow, at 2 P.M. On 20th inst., at 4 P.M.
MANILA, CEBU & ILCILO	TEAN KAIFONG	Brit. str	1 m.	A. W. Outerbridge	BUTTERFILD & SWIRE	On 21st inst., at 4 P.M.
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. •/	SHANGHAI On 23rd Mar.	4 P M.
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S.S. SAXONIA... ... 15th June For Further Particulars, apply to-

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PROPOSED SAILING FROM	HONGKONG.	(SUBJECT T	O ALTERATION.)
STEAMERS	Tons	SAILING	DATES.
* SIBERIA	18.000	FRIDAY,	24th March, at 1 P.M.
* MANCHURIA	27.000	SATURDAY.	8th April, at 1 P.M.
• MONGOLIA	27.000	SATURDAY	29th April, at 1 P.M.
* KOREA	18.000	SATURDAY	27th May, at 1 P.M.
* SIBERIA	18.000	FRIDAY.	9th June, at 1 P.M.
* MANCHURIA	27.000	SATURDAY,	24th June, at 1 P.M
* MONGOLIA	27,000		15th July, at 1 P.M
* KOREA	18,000	FRIDAY,	11th Aug., at 1 P.M.

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THE P.M. S.S. "SIBERIA" will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO VIA SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU, on FRIDAY, 24th March, at 1 P.M.

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—Missionaries and their families.

INTERMEDIATES SERVICE.

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	CHINA	10,200 Tons	FRIDAY,	31st March at	1 P.M.
	ASIA	9,500 Tons	FRIDAY,	21st April, at	1 P.M.
	PERSIA	9,000 Tons	FRIDAY,	19th May, at 3	l P.M.
1	THE S.S. "CHINA	" will leave for S.	AN ERANCISCO	WIA SHANGHAT	MAGA

SAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA AND HONOLULU, on FRIDAY, 31st March, at 1 P.M. On the Fine MAIL Steamers, ASIA, CHINA and PERSIA FIRST CLASS. SALOON SERVICE is furnished at Intermediate Rates.

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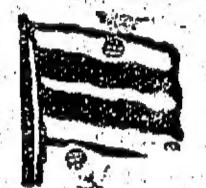
FRED J. HALTON, AGENT.

THURSDAY, 30th

WED'DAY, 12th

April, at Noon

7,000 Mar., at 11 A.M.



KOBE and YOKOHAMA ...

NAGASAKI, KOBE and

PROJECTED SACTINGS FROM HONGKONG-

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Destinations.	STEAMERS. TONS. SATLING DATES.
	KANAGAWA MARII JTHURSDAY, 23r
MARSEILLES, LONDON and	Capt. C. H. Eutler, 7,000 March.
ANTIWERP, via SINUA-1	HIRANO MARU JWED'DAY, 29th
PORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, SUEZ and	Capt. H. Fraser, 9,000 Mar., at Daylig
PORTSAID	TANGO MARU SWED'DAY, 12th
	Capt. K. Kawara, 8,000 April, at Daylight
THE STATE OF THE S	KAMAKURA MARU SATURDAY, 25th
VICTORIA B.C. & SEATTLE	Capt. H. Kon, 7,000 Mar., from Kon:
VICTORIA, B.C. and	INABA MARU TUESDAY, 28th
REMAINTIN VIA SHANG-1	Capt. Tominaga, 7.000 March, at Noc
TILE MOULE KUBBA	§ TAMBA MARU TUESDAY, 25th
YOKKAICHI, and YOKO. HAMA	Capt. K. Noda, 7.000 April, at Noon
SYDNEY and MELBOURNE,	YAWATA MARU FRIDAY, 17th
WANILA THURSDAY	Capt. J. Nagao, 5,000
TOT AND TOWNSVILLE	NIKKO MARU FRIDAY, 14th
DOTODANE	Capt. M. Yagi, 6,000 J April, at Noor
BOMBAY via SINGAPORE, [HAKATA MARU
and COLOMBO	Capt. A. Mocker, 7,000
BHANGHAI, MOJI and	# 151Cill O harated March.
KOBE	Capt. S. J. G Parsons, 7,000

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HIRANO MARU 9000 29th Mar. TANGO 8000 12th April KAMO 9000 26th	old str. 1st Class S 500.0 R 750.0
AKI 7000 10th May 9000 24th	2nd Class S 330.0 R 495.0
Steamers. VICTORIA, B.C., & SEA	To Pacific Coast Common Points
INABA MARU 7000 28th Mar.	1st Class S £3 , 2nd Class S £2
TAMBA " 7000 25th April.	To London via New York: Let Class S £66

via St. Lawrence: 1st Class S £59 7000 23rd May. For further information as to Freight, Passage, Sailings, &c., apply to T. KUSUMOTO, MANAGER.

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG (SUBJECT TO ALTERATION). CAPTAIN STEAMER DATE OF SAILING. NIPPON MARU ... 11,030 ... H. S. Smith ... FRIDAY, Mar. 17th, 1 P.M. + CHIYO MARU ... 21,000 ... W. W. Greene ... FRIDAY, April, 14th, 1 P.M.

* AMERICA MARU ... 11,000 ... A. G. Stevens ... FRIDAY, May 5th, 1 P.M.

† TENYO MARU ... 21,000 ... E. Bent FRIDAY, May 12th, 1 P.M.

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG (SUBJECT TO ALTERATION). STEAMER. DATE OF SAILING. CAPTAIN 10,500 ... K. Hashimoto WED'DAY, April 19th, 1 p.m. 11,000 ... H. Hinokuma SATURDAY, June 17th, 1 p.m. BUYO MARU HONGKONG MARU. 17,500 ... H. Nishi ... TUESDAY, Aug. 15th, 1 P.M. KIYO MARU... ...

THE Steamer "BUYO MARU" will be despatched for MOJI, KOBE, YOKO-HAMA, HONOLULU, MANZ NILLO, SALINA CRUZ, CALLAO, IQUIQUE, VALPARAISO AND CORONEL on WEDNESDAY, 19th April, at 1 P.M.

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Tons STEAMERS LUAVES. (Gross reg.) "SEATTLE MARU! VICTORIA, B.C. & TACOMA 6,182 WED'DAY, 22nd VIA NAGASAKI, KOBE Mar., at Daylight and YOROHAMA ... VICTORIA, B.C.& TACOMA "MEXICO MARU" 6,064 TUESDAY, 4th VIA SHANGHAI, MOJI, April, at Daylight

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STNAMERS LEAVES. "YECHIGO MARU" SATURDAY, 18th Mar. ANPING and TAKAO ... at Noon. "DAIJIN MARU" SUNDAY, 19th Mar., TAMSUI VIA SWATOW, at 10 A.M. "BUJUN MARU" SHANGHAI VIA SWATOW, THURSDAY, 23rd Mar. AMOY and FOOCHOW at 8 A.M. For information of Freight, Passages, Sailings, etc., apply at the Co.'s Local Branch Office, at Second Floor, No. 1, Queen's Buildings s. Hiroi, MANAGER



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MAILS BY SIBERIAN ROUTE.—Quarantine restrictions at Shanghai have now been withdrawn on arrivals from Dairen. Mail Steamers will leave Shanghai for Dairen twice a week, on Tuesdays and Saturdays.

The Empress of China, with the Canadian and Siberian Mails, left Shanghai on Tuesday, the 14th inst., at 9 p.m., and may be expected here to-day.

FOR	PER	DATE
Bangkolt	Korat	Friday, 17th, 9.00 A M
Bangkok	74	T31.3
Hongay	Brand	Friday, 17th, 9.00 A M
Hollow and Haiphong	Mathilde	Friday, 17th, 9.00 A M
Haiphong		Friday, -17th, 9.00 A M
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Harching	Friday, 17th, 10.00 A M
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Cooktown, Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane,	til på 16	
Sydney, Hobart, Launceston, New	Yawata Maru	Friday, 17th, 10.00 A M
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Manila, Cobu and Iloilo	Quito	Friday, 17th, 10.00 A M
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SHANGHAI, NAGASARI, ROBE, YOKOHAMA,		(Registration, with late
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(SIBERIAN MAIL TO EUROPE)	Troubles mare "	11.00 A.M.)
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Macao	Sui Tai	Friday, 17th, 1.15 P M
Tsintau, and Newchwang	Shansi	Friday, 17th, 3.00 P M
Calle	Loyal	Friday, 17th, 4.00 P M
Kobe	"T7. " T. J	
Anping		Saturday, 18th, 10.00 A M
Singapore	Lewther Castle	Saturday, 18th, 10.00 A M
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in time for the first clearance will be		Registration, Kowloon
included in this contract mail.)	- 3	25. O 10.00 A M I
The Purcel mail will be closed to-day !		No late fee

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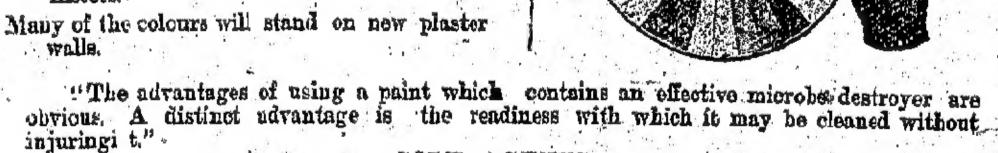
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Hongkong, 10th March, 1911.

COMMERCIAL.

--: 0:--EXCHANGE CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

	March 16th.
On	London :
- 1	Telegraphic Transfer1/91
pr 1	Bank Bills, on demand
	Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight1/93
	Bank Bills, at 4 months' gight 1/944
*	Credits, at 4 months' sight
	Documentary Bills 4 months' sight1 10
	Paris:
100	Bank Bills, on demand227
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ON.	GEBMANY:
. 5	On demand183
ON	NEW YORK :-
	Bank Bills, on demand433
	Credits, at 60 days' night443
ON	BOMBAY:
•	Telegraphic Transfer
	Bank, on demand
ON	CALOUTTA:-
	Telegraphic Transfer
1	Bank, on demand
ON	SHANGHAI:-
4	Bank, at sight743
	Private, 30 days' sight754
	YOKOHAMA:—On demand88
ON.	MANILA: On, demand—Pesos—88
OM	SINGAPORE: On demand763
OM	BATAVIA:-On demand1073
ON	HAIPHONG:—On demand12 % pm.
ON.	SAIGON:—On demand
ON	HANGKOK:—On demand86
ROA.	errione, Bank's Buying Rate\$11.10
GOL	D LEAF, 100 fine, per tool \$57.80
DAR	SILVER, per oz243d.
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Chinese20 cents pieces...... 87.85 discount.

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Hongkong ... 20

Hongkong ...10

18th, Noon.

18th, 1.00 P M

18th, 1.15 P M

... 6.00 P M 19th, 9.00 A.M

20th, 11.00 A M 20th, 1.15 P m

20th, 3.00 P.M

26th, 3.00 P M

21st, 10.00 A M

21st, 11.00 A M

21st. 3.00 P M

Saturday, 18th, 2.00 P M Saturday, 18th, 5.00 P M Saturday, 18th, 5.00 P M

Hegistration ... 4.15 P M

(Registration with late

fee of 10 cents up to

Saturday, 18th,

5.00 P.M)

Tuesday,

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Stocks.	NO, OF SHARES,	VALUE.	PAID UP.	CLOSING QUOTA
Banks.—				
Hongkong & Shanghai Bank Corporation	120,000	\$125	all	\$880, buyers
National Bank of China, Limited	99,925	£7	£6	£85./-
Bell's Asbestos Eastern Agency, Limited	8,604	12/6	12/6	\$8.
China Borneo Company, Limited	60,000		\$12	\$10, sales _
Thina Light and Power Company, Limited.	50,000 50,000		\$10 \$1	\$1.
hina Provident, Loan & Mortgage Co., Ld JOTTON MILLS.—	200,000	\$10	510	\$ 7.≩.
Ewo Cotton Spin'g. & Weaving Co., Ld.	20,000	1	Tls. 50	Tls. 85.
Hongkong Cotton Spinning Co., Ld International Cotton Manufing Co., Ld.	125,000 10,000	Tls. 75	Tls. 75	\$53, sellers
Laou-Kung-Mow C. Spin & Weav.Co. Ld	8,000	Tla. 100	Tis. 100	Tls. 49. Tls. 62.
Soy Chee Cotton Spinning Co., Limited	6-9-10	9.1	Tls. 50	Tls. 23.
ocks And Wharves.—	40,000		\$6 all	S 19.
H'kong & Kowloon Wharf & G. Co., Ld. Hongkong and Whampes Dock Co., Ld.			all	\$52, sales
New Amoy Dock Co., Limited	10,000	861	\$61	\$54, sellers \$52, buyers
Shanghai Dock and Engineering Co., Ld. Shanghai and Hongkew Wharf Co., Ld.,	55,700 36,000		Tls. 100 Tls. 100	Tls. 65.
enwick & Co., Limited	18,000	₹25	525	Tis. 99.
reen Island Coment Co., Limited	400,000 7,000		\$10	\$3, sellers
ongkong and China Gas Co., Limited ongkong Electric Co., Limited	60,000		\$10	\$190.
ongkong Hotel Company, Limited	12,000	850 3	and a second second	\$23, sallers \$105, buyers
ongkong Ice Company, Limited	8,000 5,000	Title days 1	€25 au	
congroup Rope Manufacturing Co., Limited kong & South China Steam Fisheries Co., Ld. NSUBANCES.—	60,000	\$10	81 \$7	5157, sales 517½, sellers 57, buyers
Canton Insurance Office Co., Limited	10,000		\$50	3180.
China Fire Insurance Co., Limited	20,000		820	\$118½, sales
China Traders Insurance Co., Limited Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Limited	24,000 8,000		- \$20 - \$ 30	\$87½.
North-China Insurance Co., Limited	10,000	£15	#ು ಕ್ರ	\$35, x d. sellers Tu. 155, sales
Union Insurance Society, Limited Vangtsze Insurance Association, Limited	12,400 12,000	\$250 \$100	\$100	\$830, buyers
ANDS AND BUILDINGS.—		2100	- 3	£205, buyers
Hongkong Land Invest. Agency Co., Ld.	50,000	7	\$100	\$94, buyers
Humphreys' Estate and Finance Co., Ld. Kowloon Land and Building Co., Ld.	150,000 6,000	\$10 \$50	- TIT	\$62. \$32, x d. sellers
- Shanghai Land Investment Co., Limited	78,000	T's. 50	Falls de la constitución de la c	71s. 97.
West Point Building Co., Limited	12,500	\$50		\$46, buyers
SociétéFrançaise desCharb'ges du Tonkin Raub Australian Gold Mining Co., Ld	16,000 200,000	Fes. 250 £1		\$700. \$2
ak Tramways Co., Limited	25,000	210	BIL 1	\$15.
cilippine Co., Limited	50,000 75,000	\$10 \$10		\$1‡. :8.
China Sugar Refining Co., Limited Luzon Sugar Refining Co., Limited	20,000	\$100		110, sellers
binson Piano Co., Limited	7,000 4,000	\$100 \$50		517. 550.
China and Manila Steamship Co., Ld Douglas Steamship Co., Lamited	30,000	\$25	825 8	84, sales
Hongkong, Canton & Macao S.B. Co., Ld.	20,000 80,000	\$50 \$15		19, sellers 29½, sellers
Indo-China Steam Navigation Co. L. 1	60,000 pref.	£5		(F 13
Shell Transport & Trading Co., Limited.	60,000 def.	3 4 4 4	1 1 - 1	£5.7.6.
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th China Morning Post, Limited	10,000	810	\$5	\$12.
ores and Dispensagies.	6,000 20,000	\$25 \$5	25 \$	25. 6≱, buyers
Campbell, Moore & Co., Limited Wm. Powell, Limited	1,200	\$10		10, buyers
Watkins, Limited	15,000	\$7 \$10		5, sales
A. S. Watson & Co., Limited	90,000	310	The state of the s	5, sellers 7, sellers
Weissmann, Limited	3,000	\$10		12, buyers

Union Waterboat Co., Limited Sau £61, buyers RUBBER. Para Rubber in London 6/7 per lb. Loans. Amount. Value. Interest. Quotation. Chinese Imperial 1226 Tla. 767,200 | Tla. 250 | 7% p. annum | Par. VERNON & SMYTH. Share-Rrokers.

TO-DAY 11 A.M. - Nineteenth Half-Yarly Drawing of Sixty-five Lebentures of Hongkong Club.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS. Saturday, Sunday & Monday, 18th, 19th & 20th March—Hongkong Aviation Week, Flying at Shatin, Kowloon, 2 P.M. each day, Monday, 20th March-Annual General Meeting of Hongkong General Chamber of Com-

merce, City Hall, 4 P.M. Saturday, 25th March-Twenty-Second Ordin-Cement Co., Ltd., 11.30 A.M. Saturday, 25th March-Auction of Valuable Household Property at Sales Room, by Mr. Geo. P. Lammert, 3 P.M.

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